

OIL TANK BLOWS UP: LIVES IN DANGER

TRAIL OF BLOOD LEADS TO SUICIDE

ALAMEDA FOUND IN TANK

Ernest Modeen, Central Figure in Romance, Dies

Flees From Home in His Pajamas After Cutting His Wrist

ALAMEDA, Dec. 17.—Obeying a suicidal mania which led him several times to seek his life most dramatically, Ernest Modeen severed the arteries in his left wrist this morning, and fled from his bedroom to Surf Beach Park, where he plunged into the main tank and was drowned. A romance was involved in his self-destruction.

The suicide was discovered by a trail of blood extending from Modeen's home, at 563 Pacific avenue, over sidewalk and streets to the bathing resort. The young man's body, with trousers and coat covering a suit of pajamas, was discovered this afternoon at 1 o'clock by Joseph Peterson, an employee of the baths. Modeen is believed to have staggered from his home between 6 and 7 o'clock this morning.

Modeen was formerly an undertaker. His suicidal mania, having its foundation in an unfortunate love affair, was brought prominently before the public last May, when the young man drove his automobile over an eighty-foot embankment on the tunnel road and received injuries which it was thought at the time would prove fatal.

ATTEMPT SUPPOSEDLY SUICIDAL.

Investigation led the authorities to believe that Modeen had deliberately turned the car off the road and through a fence with the purpose of killing himself.

His runabout, working at a speed of 35 miles an hour, was sent leaping into a deep canyon, clearing one fence, smashing another, and landing upright in the valley 80 feet below. A note was found in his pocket addressed to his fiancée, Miss Emily Hogan, a telephone operator at the Hotel Oakland. The note bequeathed her his insurance policy of \$10,000.

Miss Hogan acknowledged at the time that she was to have been married to Modeen last January, but gave no explanation of why the marriage did not take place.

Modeen is prominent in fraternal circles and a member of several Swedish societies.

TWO WOMEN IN CASE.

Modeen made his home in this city at the same house where his fiancée lives, 533 Pacific avenue.

The fact that there was more than one woman interested in the affections of the young undertaker developed when Modeen was lying at the Roosevelt hospital immediately following his suicidal leap in an auto.

Sweet heart No. 2 developed in Mrs. Hannah Meese, an attractive young widow living at 624 Madison street, Oakland.

JURY FINDS CORBIN NOT GUILTY ON FIRST BALLOT

Out for five minutes the jury trying William Corbin, secretary of the Continental Building and Loan Association, yesterday returned a verdict of not guilty. Superior Judge Lawlor charged the jury at 2 p. m., and finished his instructions shortly before 2. The jurors reached a verdict on the first ballot.

Corbin was charged with falsifying a report made to Building and Loan Commissioner George Walker by failing to mention an item of \$11,000 of liabilities and by overstating the assets of the company by \$51,000.

GROVE CARS FOR CITY TRACKS

Franchise for Street in Front of Hall Is Granted

Municipality Will Own New Rails to Be Laid

Grove street cars will be routed down Washington street, passing in front of the new City Hall within 60 days from today, according to an agreement reached between Mayor Mori and representatives of the San Francisco-Oakland Terminal Railway, at a conference this afternoon. The cars will run over tracks owned by the city of Oakland, but to be leased to the corporation. The consideration for ten-year lease of the tracks will be the cash cost of the laying of the tracks. Work will be commenced in a week.

As a result of the agreement reached today the petition now pending before the city railroad commission to force the corporation to apply for a franchise will be continued for 60 days, during which time the work will be done. The action will then be dismissed at the instance of the Downtown Improvement Association, which filed the petition.

ADVERTISE FOR WORK.

During the next ten days the city council will advertise for the work of laying the tracks in the block of Washington street in front of the City Hall. The traction company was out for the work and do it. The details of how the money will be handled, so far as the technical legal procedure is concerned, have not been worked out, but the laying of the tracks will cost the city nothing, but the tracks

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\$200,000 CASH DEAL IN LOCAL PROPERTY

Wickham Havens and Walter Leimert Complete Transfer

A \$200,000 cash deal in downtown Oakland real estate is in process of completion by which property, 50x100 feet, on the south side of Fourteenth street, fifty feet east of Clay, will be transferred by Wickham Havens and Walter Leimert, present owners, to Abe S. and Julius Cohn, Oakland capitalists. A deposit of \$10,000 has been paid, and the balance of the \$200,000 consideration is to be paid in cash, it is expected, within the next two days.

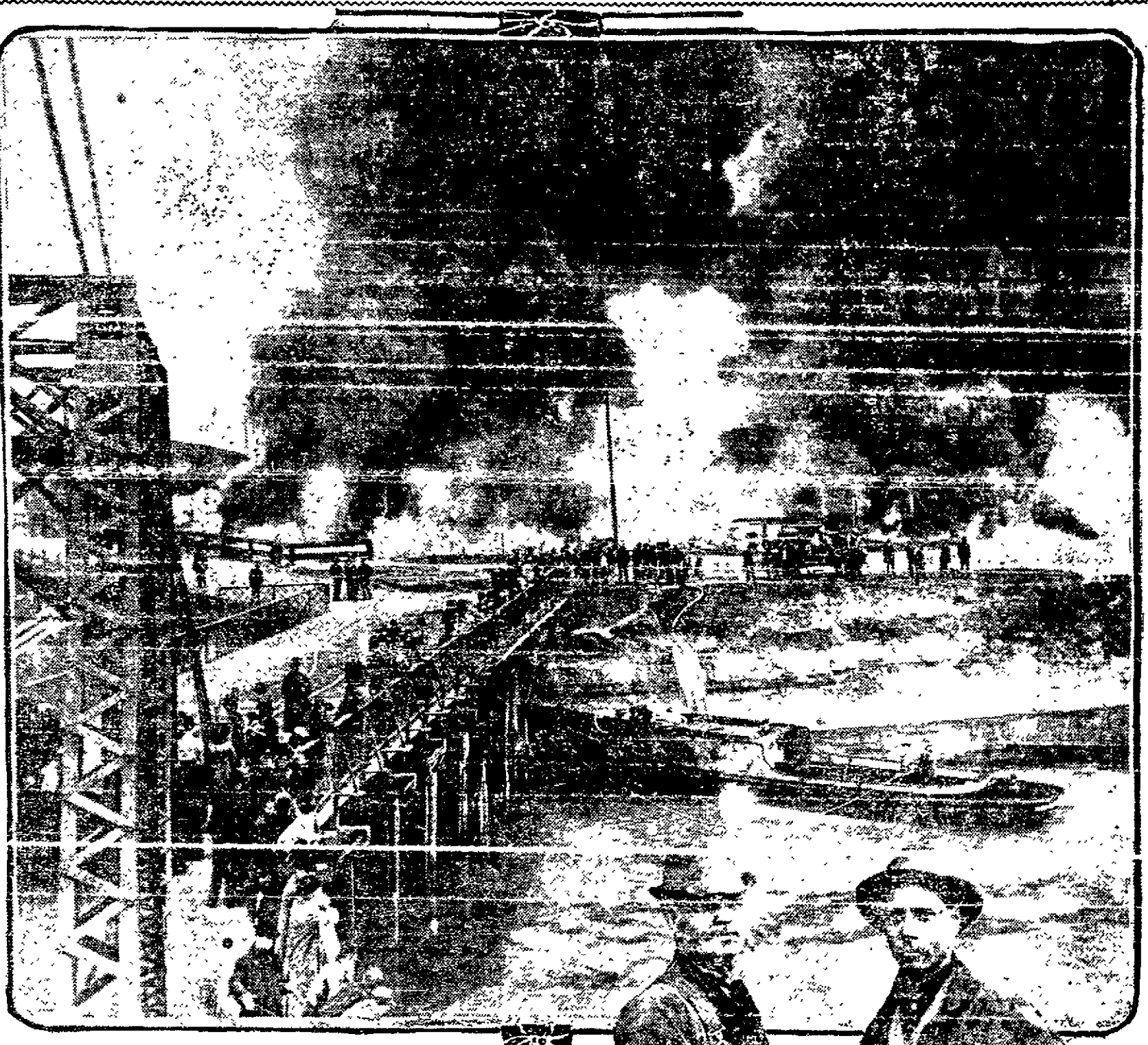
The site, which adjoins the Havens & Leimert four-story building at the southeast corner of Fourteenth and Clay streets, is now occupied by a one-story store structure, which is to be raised to a skyscraper height by the new owner. It is understood that work on the new building will begin next spring.

The price to be paid by Cohn Brothers for the Fourteenth street lot establishes a new record for west-of-Broadway realty values, and the cash transaction is the largest reported in the State this winter.

The deal is being handled by F. B. Maiden, general manager of the Laganance Real Estate Company.

SCENE at the Pacific States Oil Refinery fire this morning, taken from the Fruitvale draw-bridge, and showing the southern end of the factory, a sea of blazing oil and gasoline. It was this stream that menaced the draw-bridge and estuary, and here the oil cars were destroyed. The fire tug Phoenix is shown protecting the bridge.

Below, left to right, James Mott, who battled in vain with the start of the blaze in the storehouse, and John May, the chauffeur, whose machine started the conflagration.



NORCROSS RECALLED IN WEIGHTS CASE

Fuel Hearing Enlivened by Arrest of David G. Powers

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—The arrest yesterday by David G. Powers, one of the possible witnesses for the prosecution, combined with the grand jury investigation, lent an air of excitement to the trial of the Western Fuel officials today. David Norcross, secretary of the corporation, was on the witness stand. He was recalled by the prosecution and it is expected that Attorney Theodore Roche will not conclude with him before night.

Norcross' evidence is largely technical. He was taken over the details of the company's transactions with the government. As these cover a period of eight years and as there are numerous entries in the ledgers which must be referred to, the examination is an arduous one.

Powers, who claims that he is the victim of a conspiracy to discredit his testimony, appeared in Police Judge Crist's court on a statutory charge. He is accused by Lena Caduff, aged 20, of failing to keep a promise to marry her. His brother, Edwin Powers, a former employee of the Western Fuel Company, was present in court. He stated last night that he would take the witness stand and make some startling revelations in connection with the charges against the Western Fuel officials. He claims to have been cognizant of the transactions involving them in an alleged conspiracy to defraud the government on coal weights.

Powers was instructed and arraigned by Judge Crist. He was represented by Barry, representing Sullivan, Sullivan & Roche, announced he was ready for trial. Assistant District Attorney Oppenheim declared that he was unfamiliar with the facts of the case and asked for a continuance.

By consent the trial was set over for one week and the bail reduced from \$5000 to \$2000.

Prior to the calling of Norcross, three Seattle customs inspectors were placed on the stand. They testified to having

WARREN COMMITTEE REACHES AGREEMENT

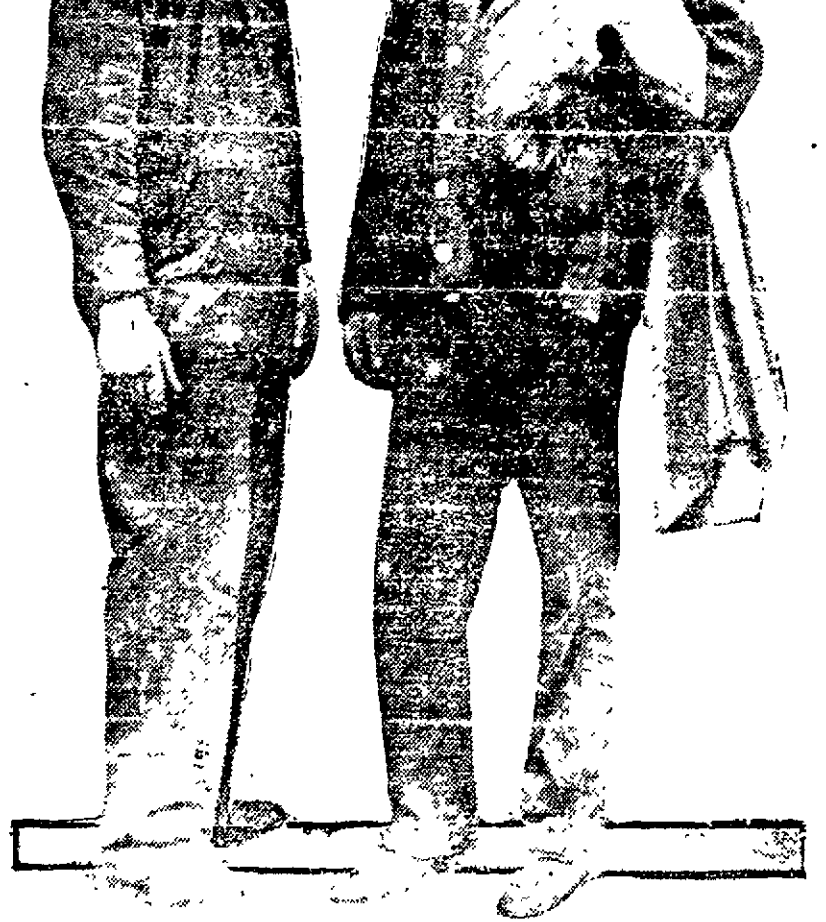
Re-apportionment Provides for Four Delegates at Large

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The sub-committee of the Republican National Committee finally agreed today on a plan of re-apportionment providing for four delegates-at-large from each state, one from each congressional district and one additional from each district, where the total Republican vote was 35 per cent or more of the total vote cast. No district, however, would have more than two delegates, no matter how large the Republican vote. States having congressmen at large would be entitled to one vote for each. The congressional election of 1910 probably would be used as the basis for determining the exact representation in each state.

Territories and the District of Columbia would have two delegates each.

The plan provides also that it shall become effective when it is ratified by states representing a majority of the electoral college. Under the Warren plan representation in national conventions would be reduced by 70 delegates. The following named states would lose the following number of delegates: Alabama 6, Florida 2, Georgia 6, Louisiana 7, Mississippi 8, North Carolina 2, Oklahoma 1, South Carolina 7, Tennessee 4, Texas 14, Virginia 5; total loss for the South 62. Illinois 2, Kentucky 1, New Jersey 1, New York 1, Ohio 1, Pennsylvania 1, Rhode Island 1, Utah 1, Vermont 1, Wisconsin 1, Wyoming 1.

The plan of the sub-committee to recognize primary laws and change the rules governing conventions was adopted by the National Committee by a unanimous vote. On a point raised by Committeeman Chubb of Florida it was announced that the rules would be changed so that in states where it is optional whether a party shall hold primaries for the election of delegates they shall be selected.



Two Bandits Fail in Train Hold-Up Attempt

ANTIOCH, Cal., Dec. 17.—Two masked train robbers failed last night in a midnight attempt to clean out Santa Fe train No. 5, east bound.

The attempt became known today when Bert Hooper was booked and acknowledged that he had recently served sixty days in the county jail at Martinez on a sentence imposed in Richmond.

No. 5, which passes through here at 11:40 p. m., was last pulling out of the station when the rear brakeman saw two men wearing black masks jump onto the rear sleeper. The brakeman promptly called for help and pulled the signal cord for a stop.

Cold Rain Falls in Region of Bay

Rain, which has been falling heavily in the northern portion of California and in Oregon, reached the bay cities shortly before noon today, accompanied by a strong wind. It was expected that the storm will pass on and that there will be little downpour locally. The forecast of the weather bureau is for a break in the clouds tonight and a fair day tomorrow.

Lucas received 34 of an inch up to 5 o'clock this morning and there was heavy snow in Oregon. Yesterday's storm in the North Pacific passed eastward through the British possessions.

BIG FACTORY GUTTED BY FLAMES

Firemen Battle in Vain Against \$100,000 Blaze

Big Gasoline Tanks Explode, Causing Panic in Crowds

BULLETIN.

With a report that shook buildings and sent debris 4500 feet into the air, the big petroleum tank at the refinery exploded at 1:18 o'clock this afternoon. Fire-fighters fled, hastening across the Fruitvale-avenue bridge to escape from the flying drops of liquid flame which threatened the lives of thousands of spectators.

Frantic efforts are being made to protect the Southern Pacific properties across the street, which are threatened anew by the explosion.

BULLETIN.

Risking their lives in the burning oil which encircled the plant, a corps of intrepid firemen this afternoon rushed into the heart of the flames about the Pacific States Refinery to save fire hose which had been abandoned when the big petroleum tank exploded. The firemen were M. Carlson, A. Delerio, Acting Lieutenant Banuci, J. Healy and W. L. Heino.

There were ten tanks left in the refinery at 2:20 p. m. and explosions are momentarily expected.

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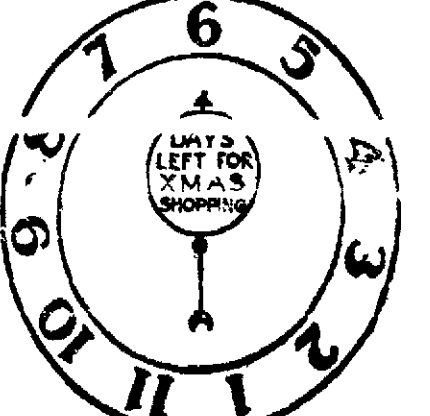
At 1:30 this afternoon the fire at the Pacific States Oil Refinery was still burning fiercely, resisting all efforts of an army of fire-fighters. Several times the Fruitvale draw-bridge was threatened and a number of men had been detailed to guard that structure.

BATTling with streams of liquid fire, which constantly threatened huge tanks where 150,000 gallons of benzine were stored, several hundred firemen, railroadmen and attaches, this morning made desperate attempts to save the big Pacific States oil refinery at the corner of Fruitvale avenue and East Tenth street.

The great factory was practically destroyed. With it went up large drums of gasoline, tanks of crude oil and barrels of asphalt. Valuable machinery was ruined. Three oil cars standing on the siding were destroyed.

Clouds of smoke blinded the eyes of the workers. The water from the firemen's hose lines seemed only to intensify the flames as it fell into the blazing oils which flowed from the tanks about the factory. The great tanks across the street, owned by the Southern Pacific and con-

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FIREMEN BATTLE WITH OIL FLAMES

Pacific States Plant at Fruitvale Burns; Loss About \$100,000.

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taining a half million barrels of oil, were saved with difficulty, and for a time even the ships on the estuary were menaced by the flames.

The fire caused a black pillar of smoke to rear itself skyward, forming an awesome spectacle.

A defective valve in an automobile

which will, it is estimated, total more than \$100,000. John May, a chauffeur, had filled the machine from the tank in the store room and started the engine. It is believed that he may have flooded the engine in filling the tank. As he turned the crank there was a sharp report, and the entire store room almost instantly burst into flames.

WARNS EMPLOYEES.

James Mott, storehouse man, attempted to escape, but was overtaken by the flames, which spread rapidly as the burning oil ran from the door toward the gasoline drums outside on the siding. Mott turned in the refinery fire alarm, warning the 22 employees who had just started work of their peril. At 7:30 o'clock the entire court yard of the refinery, where the oil cars were tracked, was ablaze.

With a series of full reports the gasoline drums along the siding burst, scattering burning fluid among the tanks, which burst into flames, and the crude oil in them belched forth heavy, blinding black smoke, which obscured the flames from the sight of the fire fighters.

FIREMEN BEGIN BATTLE.

In the meantime Carl Corrigan, the pump man, had turned in the fire alarm and notified the police. Six fire companies arrived, hitching their hoses to hydrants and also taking water from the estuary to play on the flames. The Southern Pacific power house, across the street, stationed men on top of its big oil tank and water was constantly being pumped to the tanks. The Alaska Packing company's tug Phoenix arrived on call to play a stream on the tanks which lead from the creek under the street into the estuary, and which had filled with burning oil. Had this been released into the estuary, say the firemen, it would have been a disaster. The tug was directed to the Pacific states plant, where it was ordered to play a stream on the tanks. The tug was directed to the Pacific states plant, where it was ordered to play a stream on the tanks.

STREAM BEATEN BACK.

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TANKS EXPLODE.

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POWERS' STATUS IS FEATURE OF CASE

Western Fuel Trial Hinges Considerable on Charges Against Witness, Is Belief.

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visited the Nanaimo mines in British Columbia, owned by the Western Fuel Company, and claimed to have found that the coal was properly weighed before being shipped here.

SECRET SERVICE WORK.

A number of secret service men are today working on the case of Powers, endeavoring to check up his assertions regarding the alleged conspiracy against him. A delegation of Washington secret

the Western Fuel cases. Edwin Powers, confirmed his statement today that he would have starting revelations to make during the trial.

The trial was delayed for half an hour this morning by reason of the tardiness of Fred Becker, an Oakland butcher, who is one of the jurors. Becker was caught in a fog bank while crossing the bay and reached the courtroom breathless and was made of wool and sheet-iron and consisted principally of tanks and motors.

"I have no clear idea of how it happened," declared Max, driver of the auto which started the blaze. "I had come in for work and filled the machine before starting out on the day's deliveries. I turned the crank, there was a flash, and the whole place was in flames. I jumped away from the auto, sat that machine could be done and ran outside. I got a fire extinguisher, and saw that it was too much to handle. He turned in the plant's fire whistle and got out. So did Corrigan. Then we had the city fire alarm turned in and the police came."

ESCAPE IMPERATIVE.

"There was no chance to do anything but get out," declared Mott. "She ran away, and the drums started going up. It was a case for the fire department. Not for us."

A barn owned by Mrs. A. Innes, near the fire, was ignited by a flying spark, and the structure, with \$2500 worth of hay, was destroyed. The trial is expected to last a week. The plant stands in a large field with no houses or barns half a mile on the Oakland side and the estuary between it and Alameda. When the alarm was first turned in the estuary was covered with fog and the fog was not visible until the firemen were less than 100 feet away. This accounted for the misting of engine No. 1, which was forced to make a sharp turn to avoid a collision, and ran off the road.

SAVES CHILD.

George Greene, desk man at the Melrose police station, had several narrow escapes. He was almost caught by a falling timber in saving a child who was wandering near the fire lines and entered the plant. The boy was sent away. His name was not learned.

Superintendent J. MacPherson of the Southern Pacific electric lines, with Assistant Superintendent William Nelson and George E. Gaylord, took charge of the Southern Pacific fire fighting. MacPherson offered the use of the company's tug Alja, but was informed by Assistant Chief Short that it would be useless by the time it arrived from over the bay. MacPherson directed the work of protecting the big Southern Pacific tanks across the street. At this point the heat from the fire was so intense that the men were forced to shade their faces.

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RE-APPORTIONMENT PLAN IS REACHED

Warren Committee Agrees to Methods of Reorganizing Republican Party.

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lected in the old manner and the primary plan shall be observed only in states where the law provides specifically for such action.

With the resolution for reapportionment of delegates, an amendment was adopted providing that the basis for the selection of delegates from each congressional district in addition to one should be based on the Republican vote for Republican presidential electors in 1908, or for the Republican

ever is the higher."

MINORITY REPORT.

R. B. Howell of Nebraska submitted a minority report. He concurred in everything except the apportionment scheme and declared that he believed the proposal of the majority would be subversive of the object of the meeting and result in future embarrassment to the Republican party. He contended that the principal purpose of the meeting was to reorganize the party and that the majority scheme as proposed would remedy the difficulty.

The elimination of only 62 delegates from all the Southern states, Howell asserted, would not, in his opinion, be satisfactory to Republicans of the country. He suggested an alternative plan of the Republican congressional committee providing four delegates at large for each state and one delegate in addition for each 10,000 votes or major fraction thereof cast for the Republican candidate in 1908.

WOULD REDUCE DELEGATES.

That plan would reduce the total number of delegates in the convention to 945. The South, which had 272 delegates in the convention of 1912, would have only 119 if that plan was adopted.

MITCHELL CALLS CONFERENCE.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—A conference of the leaders of political organizations that took part in the fusion municipal campaign has been called for next week by John P. Mitchell, mayor-elect, to discuss the appointment of a successor to Rhineclauder Waldo, police commissioner.

This course was adopted by Mitchell. It is said, because of the refusal of his close friends and advisers to suggest the name of a man for police commissioner, although understatements for other places have been numerous.

Neither the Republican nor Progressive leaders will submit a candidate, although both are reported to be willing to do so if legislation giving the commissioner a longer term and increased power is passed. Mitchell is said to be willing to make a fight for both of these things after his inauguration on January 1.

Politicians Gossip About Meeting at Palace That Failed

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—While in some quarters there were undoubtedly loud laughter as the result of yesterday's attendance of a faithful five at an alleged session of the Progressive Republicans, most of the fighting politicians of the state are engaged in waging a careful campaign. The reason for the failure of a crowd to gather at the Palace hotel was because the meeting of the Progressives had been postponed until January. The few who put in an appearance had merely failed to receive due notification.

The notoriety given to the affair, however, caused comment everywhere today and was the basis of the latest gossip on the streets, as the Progressive camp is by far the most active these days. The question of Governor Johnson withdrawing from politics was put to Charles R. Detrick, secretary of the executive committee, at an official meeting of the State Railway Commission this morning.

"The Governor has always been reluctant to run for public office," explained Detrick. "We believe that he will enter the race for United States Senator. I know nothing of his statements to the members of the committee appointed Saturday, save what I read, but I am sure that in the end the Governor will announce his candidacy. He has all along stated that he would be ready with a declaration about the first of the year, and one thing is certain, he is in Los Angeles, but that is really all the Progressive news that there will be for the present."

The committee selected to apprise the Governor that the Progressives wish him to make the campaign for United States Senator was not expected to report back on any special day. It is thought that they will not make a report to the committee until the Governor has openly announced his purposes.

Francis J. Heney made a hurried trip to Los Angeles in the interest of his campaign and is due back today. Heney frankly admits that, for the present, his business is politics. He is not certain yet as to whether he is a candidate for United States Senator or for Governor, but he is practically convinced that Johnson will make the fight for Senatorial honors he is laying plans for a governorship platform. Upon this he will go before the Progressive voters despite the probable preference on the part of the committee for John Ehlmann, president of the Railroad Commission.

At yesterday's lobby gathering at the Palace, there were in attendance Senator O. E. O. Larkins of Tulare, former Assemblyman John Cronin of Benicia, Assemblyman Tom Johnston of Richmond, J. L. Wright of Martinez and Charles M. Belshaw. All of these gentlemen had failed to receive notice that there would be no meeting of the Progressive Republicans until after a decision was made on the matter of cash advantage. Fur-

the matter could be successfully and expeditiously handled."

Present at the conference were W. A. Bissell, W. A. Alberger and W. B. Smith, representing the San Francisco-Oakland Terminal Railway; President H. F. Sells, Attorney Harry Rogers, Secretary Edwin Stearns and Louis Abel of the Downtown Improvement Club, and Mayor Mott, Assistant City Attorney Beardsley and Superintendent of Streets Perry F. Brown, representing the

revision of the routing of various lines of cars in the city, as it is hoped that new loop systems may result, with long runs.

"A practical good has been effected," declared Mayor Frank K. Mott today. "We will advise for him next week and work will be commenced immediately. This plan means that the desired end will be gained more expeditiously than if the charter were technically complied with in its franchise provisions, and with greater actual benefit to the city in organization."

FOR THE BOY—Three fine ties in a pretty Holiday Box. Regular \$1.00 gift. Limited assortment. While they last. **79 Cents**

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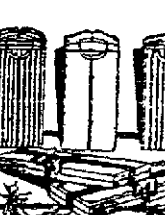
Boys' Cowboy Suits \$1.00.



Boys' Neckwear 25c



Fireman Suits \$1.00



Boys' Xmas Shirts \$1.00.

WE'VE loads of useful, delightful and much-wanted presents for Boys and Children. Below we have noted many of them. Santa Claus is in charge and he suggests useful gifts.

AN ENTIRE floor is given over to the Boys' and Children's Department. Here you will find assembled the largest stock of Boys' Suits, Overcoats and Furnishing Goods in Oakland.

Boys' Blue Cheviot Suits

A special BLUE CHEVIOT BOYS' SUIT arrived today. It's a beauty and will make a fine Xmas gift to the boy. Either double breasted or Norfolk—a fine suit for Sunday wear. **\$6.50**

Boys' Blue Serge Suits

A dandy lot of BLUE SERGE SUITS for boys can be found at Heeseman's. Why not give the boy a nice suit for Christmas? Prices, **\$5.00, \$7.50, \$10.00**

Boys' Special Holiday Suits

Maybe the boy needs an EVERYDAY SUIT. For Christmas nothing is better than a nice new suit. Here's some specials in Fancy Mixtures, Tweeds, Cheviots and Rough English effects. Some in the new model Norfolk. Prices **\$7.50** up from

Novelty Overcoats for Boys

A NOVELTY OVERCOAT for little fellows 1 1/2 to 10 years old. Our stock was never so complete as at the present time and our assortment was never so striking. Some with Belted Backs. Three piece belt Combination Collar or Button to the throat. Prices, **\$5.00, \$7.50, \$8.50, \$10.00**

Boys' Pebble Cheviot Overcoats

SPECIAL PEBBLE CHEVIOT OVERCOAT for boys, ages 2 1/2 to 10 years. Made specially for us. A typical mannish coat for the boy. Cut extra long. Fancy plaid worsted linings. Special price while they last. **\$8.50**

Heeseman's "Great Coats" for Boys

Heeseman's famous BOYS' "GREAT COATS." You'll find nothing like them anywhere. Our famous "Up or Down" Collar. Half belt backs. 3-piece belts or plain loose drapes back. Tweeds and mixtures. While they last. **\$8.50 Up**

Real Indian and Cowboy Suits

SQUAW SUITS—Khaki blouse and shirt, fringe trimmed; head dress feather trimmed; sizes 4 to 10 years. The COMPLETE OUTFIT **\$1.50**

INDIAN CHIEF SUITS—In durable khaki, correctly trimmed; head dress with streamers down back. The COMPLETE OUTFIT **\$2.50**

INDIAN SUITS—All with regulation feather head dress. COMPLETE **\$1.00**

FIREMAN'S OUTFIT—Red flannel shirt, blue trousers, belt and helmet. PRICE **\$1.45**

POLICE OUTFIT—Heavy duck tunic and trousers, cap, belt, badge and club. **\$1.95**

COWBOY SUIT—Blouse, trousers, hat, lariat, pistol holster, belt, size 4 to 12. **\$1.00**

Angora "Chaps" for Boys

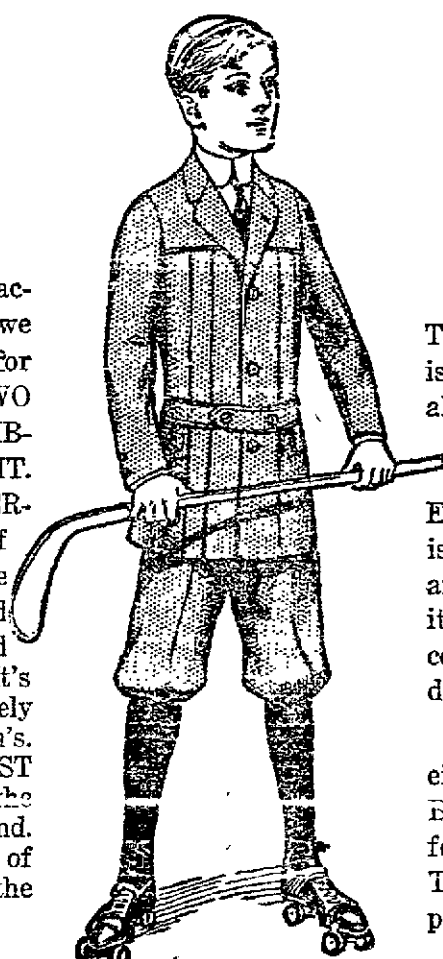
GENUINE BLACK ANGORA "CHAPS" with cartridge belt, pistol holster and bandana handkerchief; exactly the same as the real cowboys wear. Extra good materials. This is a magnificent outfit COMPLETE for **\$4.25**



This Boy is beyond the toy age. What will suit him best?

Boys' 'Gibraltar' Suit Two Pair of Pants

For \$5.00



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The most practical gift we could suggest for boys is our TWO PAIR \$5 "GIBRALTAR SUIT." It's a "DIFFERENT" kind of suit for the boy—the kind you can't find elsewhere. It's made exclusively for Heeseman's. It is the BEST \$5.00 Suit in the city of Oakland. This is a gift of utility for the boy.

The "GIBRALTAR" Boys' Suit is reinforced in all wearing parts—every seam is LOCK STITCHED; the material is WOOL. Guaranteed to hold its shape. The colors are non-dusky showing. Your choice of either Double Breasted or Norfolk models with TWO PAIR of pants for \$5.00.

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SANTA CLAUS wants every little tot to meet him at Heeseman's. He gives Kewpie Dolls to children making purchases between 9 a. m. and 1 p. m., and at other hours he has other toys for them.

THE LARGEST BOYS' DEPARTMENT IN THE WEST is alive with beautiful, useful and durable gifts for boys. Below you will find many attractive Boys' Gifts.

Practical Gifts for Boys

Boys' and Children's RAH-RAH HATS make excellent gifts. They satisfy the gift end and are useful besides. Price **50c @ \$1.00**

A fine assortment of BATHROBES for BOYS from ages of 4 1/2 to 16. These robes have been made specially to our order. They're dandy gift and prices up **\$2.50** from

BOYS' FELT HATS in an excellent variety of shapes. Mannish felt hats for boys. **\$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50**

Boys' GIBRALTAR CAPS—Special value caps for the holiday season, at **50c**

NOVELTY HATS for little tots, misses and girls, etc. Prices from **\$1.00 to \$5.00**

BOYS' SHIRTS—DRESS SHIRTS for Sunday wear—Exceptional large selection of fine materials—plain or pleated—A useful gift, for **\$1.00**

Largest selection of BOYS' UNDERWEAR in Oakland. Why not buy your Boys' Underwear at a Man's Store? Price per garment **50c**

INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS—White with colored border. Initials daintily worked; three handkerchiefs in a holiday box **25c**

"EVERWEAR" HOSIERY, children's sizes. SIX pairs guaranteed for SIX MONTHS; packed in Xmas box at **\$2.00**

Boys' Sweaters for Gifts

A few little SWEATERS for LITTLE TOTS ages 3 to 5 years. Limited number of DOLLAR SWEATERS, while they last **50c**

Fine SWEATERS for BOYS. V neck and RUF-NECK Sweaters in Oxford, Cardinal and Navy. The BEST sweaters in Oakland from **\$1.50**

A limited number of BOYS' RUF-NECK SWEATERS in Oxford and gray. \$2.50 VALUES. While they last **\$1.65**

Ladies' and Misses' Sweaters

A dandy assortment of LADIES' AND MISSES' SWEATER COATS. Colors include Navy, Oxford, White and Cardinal. V-neck, Byron and Ruff-Neck Collars. Prices, **\$5.00, \$7.50, \$8.50, \$10.00**

ANGORA SWEATERS for Ladies and Misses. Warmth without weight kind. Prices while they last **\$8.50**

Ladies' and Misses' MANGORA ENGLISH NORFOLK SPORT COAT—a dandy Xmas gift. Price **\$12.50**

Girls' Manish Coats

These Heeseman COATS FOR GIRLS are man tailored. They are in great demand for machine and out-of-door sports. Buy them from a man's store. Prices **\$8.50 to \$20.00**

Among these GIRLS' Coats we feature a BLUE PEBBLE CHEVIOT Misses' Coat. The price while they last is **\$12.50**

Christmas Middy Suits for Boys

BOYS' MIDDY SUITS—Cut over the real English models. See these stunning little models. **\$5.00, \$7.50, \$8.50, \$10.00**

Boys' Special Flannel Suits

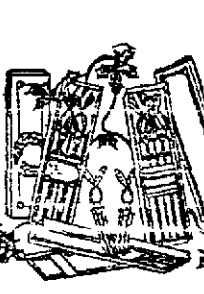
A fine lot of boys' FLANNEL AND WHITE SERGE SUITS—Suits for dress for the little fellow. Broken sizes. Some slightly soiled. At less than half price.



Boys' Overcoats \$5.00.



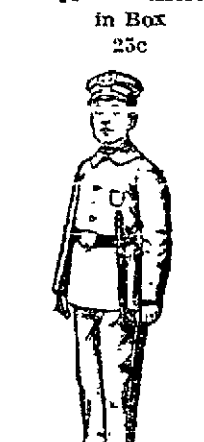
Indian Suits \$1.00



Boys' Suspenders 25c



Boys' Handkerchiefs in Box 25c



Policeman Suits \$1.95

NAVY YARD OVERTIME CLAIMS STILL UNPAID

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Since the late '70's, when 2000 employees at the Brooklyn navy yard worked two hours overtime each working day for four years on a promise of extra pay, annual meetings of the men, their widows, children or other heirs, have been held to discuss means for collecting the claims varying from \$300 to \$1000.

There were originally 2000 claimants. At yesterday's meeting only 50 attended, mainly widows. Although these claims have been approved by the United States Court of Claims and twice endorsed by the Senate, the House has failed to take action on them.

The latest movement of the claimants is an appeal addressed to Secretary Daniels of the Navy Department, urging him to call to the attention of President Wilson the validity of the claims, the action on them may be pushed in the House.

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Y. W. C. A. OFFICERS ELECTED AT MEET

Miss Grace Fisher Re-chosen President; Mrs. J. B. Richardson Honored.

At the annual meeting of the Young Women's Christian Association which was held yesterday morning in the administration building of the association, Fourteenth and Castro streets, Miss Grace Fisher, who has been president of the organization for a number of years, was re-elected. Mrs. J. B. Richardson, former president of the association, was elected honorary president. The following officers were also elected to serve for the next year: First vice-president, Mrs. C. M. Hill; second vice-president, Mrs. L. G. Burpee; third vice-president, Mrs. Eva Powell; fourth vice-president, Mrs. Walter Henry; fifth vice-president, Miss Claribel Williams; recording secretary, Miss Martha J. Valentine; treasurer, Mrs. F. F. G. Harper; board of managers, Mrs. Henry Wilson, Mrs. H. P. Cobbledick, Mrs. George H. Collins, Miss Janet C. Halset, Mrs. H. W. Kent, Mrs. H. C. Ingram, Mrs. Arthur E. Caldwell, Miss Ethel Olney, Mrs. Belle Selwood, Mrs. C. H. Rowe, Mrs. Clinton Walker, Mrs. William Lee, Mrs. Raymond C. Crooks, Mrs. E. E. Wells, who returns from a leave of absence, and Mrs. G. E. Brinkerhoff, who was newly elected.

MISS LOW ADDRESSES. Immediately after the session a luncheon was served in the cafeteria of the

association, where Miss Caroline Dow, head of the national training school for the association workers in New York City, made an address. She was introduced by Miss Grace Fisher, acting as toastmistress. In the course of a brief toast Miss Dow dwelt upon the importance of individual work in the association.

"There is grave danger," she said, "of permitting temporal interests to overshadow permanent interests. We need, of course, buildings and equipment, but if the spirit is not behind us they are useless. I have known of some of the best Y. W. C. A. work to be done where there was no building."

Miss Lillian Jones, territorial secretary and Miss Ida Vandergaaf, head of the education department, also made short addresses.

MRS. C. R. APPLIGATE

Tells Mothers What to Do for Delicate Children.

"My little boy has been rather delicate for a long time. He was always very pale and his appetite was poor. Several people recommended Vinol. I gave it to him and he took it willingly, as the taste is delicious. In a short time I noticed a great improvement in his appetite. He soon had more color in his cheeks. He is now well like other children and

school. I am so happy with what Vinol did for my little boy that I want every mother to know about it."—Mrs. C. R. Applegate, Dayton, Ohio. This delicious cod liver and iron preparation without oil is a wonderful body builder and strength creator for both young and old. We promise to give back your money in every such case where Vinol does not benefit. This shows our faith in Vinol. The Owl Drug Co., Oakland, Cal.

SUNSPOTS BASIS OF PADRE'S WORK

Father Ricard Explains How Weather Forecast Is Taken From Sky.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—More than a thousand persons gathered in the auditorium of the Knights of Columbus Hall last night to hear the Rev. Father Jerome Ricard, the Jesuit astronomer of Santa Clara College, lecture on the relation of sun spots and the weather.

"The Padre of the Rains," as Father Ricard is known, satirized the scientists who have been skeptical about his long range weather forecastings. He related how years of observation and records of the sun spots had confirmed the relation that exists between the spots and storms.

"We now have complete records of every spot that has passed over the solar surface for seven years," said Father Ricard, "and the scientific study of these spots not only will enable us to have a more comprehensive and accurate knowledge of storms, but

of another phenomenon that has been dropped from the vocabulary in California since 1906. "It has been shown by long observation that when the spots on the sun coolness the storms coolness. When they are separate the storms are separate. WHERE SPOTS ARE OBSERVABLE. "The spots are generally observable in the east limb of the sun, and travel around it. When a spot is three days toward the western limb a storm is

variably is approaching the Pacific coast. As soon as a spot sets it is followed by a cold wave and frost. After it has set for fourteen days and begins to go around the sun toward the central meridian in the rear another storm comes. Returning to the eastern limb to set brings another storm in the Rockies, followed by another cold wave and frost.

"The complete records of all the spots made since 1868 show the same undeviating order of storms and is scientific proof of the relation between the spots and the storms."

"Science now knows that these relations

exist, and it will be one of the great achievements of astronomers of the twentieth century to unravel the secrets of these laws of causes and effects. Already much has been unraveled, but there is still considerable to learn."

Father Ricard said that larger telescopes and more sensitive meteorological instruments would bring about much added knowledge on the subject. Persistent and consistent observation of the spots, he added, would in time clear away all the mystery of their connection with storms, seismic disturbances and the weather generally.

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SMELTER FUMES DOING DAMAGE SACRAMENTO, Dec. 17.—Fresh complaints of damage to vegetation by smelter fumes from Shasta and Calaveras counties were the cause yesterday of a special conference between State Veterinarian Keane and State Horticultural Commissioner Cook of the State Smelter Waste Commission. Chief Deputy State Horticultural Commissioner G. F. Weiden has been dispatched to Calaveras in the vicinity of Campo Seco, where the smelter is located, to investigate. From there he will go to Kennett, Shasta county.

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TO GROW HAIR ON A BALD HEAD

BY A SPECIALIST.
Thousands of people suffer from baldness and falling hair who, having tried every remedy advertised, have resigned themselves to baldness and its attendant discomfort. Yet their case is not hopeless. The following simple home prescription has made hair grow after years of baldness, and is also unequalled for restoring gray hair to its original color, stopping hair from falling out, and destroying the dandruff germ. It will not make the hair greasy, and can be put up by any druggist. Buy run, 6 ounces; Lavender de Compose, 2 ounces; Menthol Crystals, one-half drachm. If you wish it perfumed, add 1 drachm of your favorite perfume. This preparation is highly recommended by physicians and specialists, and is absolutely harmless, as it contains none of the poisonous wood alcohol so frequently found in hair tonics. —Advertisement.

NO DRINKS AFTER

CHICAGO, Dec. 17. — Mayor Harrison announced yesterday that no drinks would be sold or served in Chicago restaurants after 1 a. m. on New Year's eve.
"You can call that a 'hellish' New Year's eve if you want to," added the Mayor. "We cannot close the cafes, as that matter has not been finally passed on by the courts."
Patrons will be permitted to remain in the cafes to consume drinks ordered and served before 1 o'clock.

WOULD HAVE FORCED CHRIST TO PAY LICENSE FEE THERE

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 17. — "Christ would have been forced to pay \$50 license fees a month if he had chosen Los Angeles instead of Jerusalem for his work."
So said Mrs. M. Emilie Kratz, one of several mediums, fortune tellers and palmists, yesterday at a hearing before the public safety committee of the city council, members of which not long ago insisted that all persons of the "seer" inclination should demonstrate some ability if they wished to continue "working" in Los Angeles.
The hearing was begun today and continued until next Monday, when the council was expected to decide whether to pass an ordinance prohibiting such "persons from working" in Los Angeles, with or without a license.
Another "seer," a palmist, pleaded with the committee for the right to give free readings "for free will offerings."
Several others spoke, telling of wonderful things they had done in the past, but giving no startling demonstration of their ability today.

DANA GIVES UP "HARD WORK" TO BE TEACHER

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 17. — Edmund T. Dana, the Socialistic grandson of the poet, Longfellow, has given up the idea of earning a livelihood by manual labor.

PRINCESS LOUISE'S CREDITORS SOOTHED

BRUSSELS, Dec. 17. — The creditors of the Princess Louise of Belgium, daughter of the King Leopold, and who entered \$2,500,000 against her, have agreed to the withdrawal of the case from the court and to abide by the arbitration of an expert.

SLAYER BEGINS TERM

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 17. — Jack Drumgoole, sentenced to life imprisonment for slaying Madame Cherry de St. Maurice, was taken to Prison yesterday. Drumgoole was granted permission to bid good-bye to Sam Raber, who was sentenced to be executed.

OPEN EVENINGS UNTIL CHRISTMAS

Books for Gifts

We may devote hours of study and thought on what to give Him or Her, only to come to the inevitable decision—a Book—for we realize that nothing is so sure of giving pleasure. There is a book here to suit every taste, purpose and purse—Choose from History, Travel, Fiction, Biography, Humor or these special attractions from our large collection of

Illustrated Gift Books

BEAUTIES—A new Harrison Fisher book containing over 30 pictures in color—\$3.50.
GIRL'S LIFE—and other pictures—Another Harrison Fisher book—\$3.50.
THE JUNGLE BOOK—By Rudyard Kipling. A new holiday edition, illustrated in color—\$2.50.
CONFESSIONS OF A DEBUTANTE—An interesting chronicle of an American girl's "coming out"—\$1.00.
THE WONDERFUL ADVENTURES OF NILLS—By Selma Lagerlof. Beautifully illustrated in color—\$2.50.
PARSIFAL—Illustrated by Pogany. Limited edition bound in leather—\$15.00. Bound in cloth—\$6.00.
AN ARTIST IN EGYPT—By Walter Tyndale, illustrated in color—\$5.00.
AN ARTIST IN ITALY—By Walter Tyndale, handsomely illustrated in color—\$5.00.
THE UFFIZI GALLERY—By P. G. Konody, with 50 reproductions in color of its most famous pictures—\$7.50.
THE HAPPY PRINCE AND OTHER STORIES—By Oscar Wilde. Beautifully illustrated—\$3.75.

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Articles for both men and women.
Men's Watch Fobs—Bar Pins and \$1.20 to \$3.50. Brooches—70c to \$3.00.
Small Pins—50c to 1.00. Rings—\$2.50 to \$3.50.

Stationery

Handsome boxes that appeal to refined taste, packed with the highest grade correspondence paper and cards made in the world. Prices range from 35c for the smaller boxes to \$7.50 for the large boxes, tied with fancy bows of ribbon.

EXTRA SPECIAL—A box of Crane's Linen Lawn with beautiful gold stamped initial—75c.
SEALING WAX SETS—In fancy red and green boxes for holiday gifts. Box contains five sticks of wax, tapers and holder and has a place for seal—50c.

Fountain Pens

An appropriate gift for man or woman. We carry the best four makes.

WATERMAN FOUNTAIN PENS—The old reliable—\$2.50 to \$8.00. Gold Mounted—\$3.50 to \$21.00.

SWAN PENS—The pen with windows—\$2.50 to \$3.00. Gold or Silver Mounted—\$3.50 to \$35.00.
WIRT PENS—The pen for women. Can be carried in handbag or purse—\$1.50 to \$6.50. Gold Mounted—\$3.50 to \$15.00.

CONKLIN PENS—Drinks like a camel—\$2.50 to \$7.00. Gold Mounted—\$3.50 to \$15.00.
PHOENIX PENS—Imprint Pens, made especially for Smith Brothers. Self-filling and Safety—\$1.75. Safety, small or large size—\$1.00.

Diaries—A suitable present for every one. All sizes and all bindings. Flap and flexible leather backs—25c to \$5.50.
LINE OF DAY—A delightful Diary to keep for comparison—3 to 5 years on a page. In cloth or leather binding—35c to \$5.50.

Our Great Sale of Framed and Unframed Pictures

NOW IN THE ZENITH OF ITS ATTRACTION
Hundreds have availed themselves of this Room-making Sale to buy beautiful Pictures for Christmas Gifts at the wonderful savings offered.

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All beautiful subjects—nature scenes, heads, marine views, religious subjects and scores of others artistically framed in antique gold, walnut veneer, mahogany and gold effects.

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Also include colored sketches, Sepia photos, United States and foreign photographs and imported carbon photos.

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BANNER YEAR FOR STATE IN 1914

President Sproule of Southern Pacific Says Good Times in Prospect.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17. — After a three weeks' trip through the East and the South, President William Sproule of the Southern Pacific Company returned to San Francisco yesterday, optimistic as ever about the prospects for 1914 in California and the Pacific Coast. Sproule declares that the present unsettled financial condition is due to caution, based upon apprehension, upon the part of the public; but he predicts a marked improvement next season as a result of fine crops, already guaranteed by bountiful rains.

The effect of the tariff, which we are sure will be removed, will be a great help to the country. "A currency bill will pass, and the effect of this already is being actively debated, although very few understand the subject. What will be the solution of the Mexican trouble is a grave question. Whether we shall have to pour men and treasure into Mexico or whether peace in that country can be obtained independently, is also a cause for musing."

"All these things, and other incidental causes, pertaining to the country, have slowed down business and restricted activity to a great extent. A decline in railroad earnings, gross and net, has aroused alarm, which finds free expression in the daily press throughout the nation. We need not be surprised that business is not so active on the Pacific Coast as we usually find it, because on the Pacific Coast we are borrowers. The railroads are large borrowers in order to provide for betterments and improvements generally. They feel the tightening of the money market as much, or even more, than any other business, because their needs are greater. In all industries that require capital for their development and their expense, money is wanted on the coast. The condition, however, is a temporary one so far as the coast is concerned. In California generous rains so far this season have been fully what was required, and the prospect for heavy plantings, in addition to our present horticultural and agricultural resources, was never better.

"Our sister State, Oregon, has enjoyed bountiful crops that sold at high prices and that, combined with good crops in California, will make 1914 a banner year."

KIDDIES AMAZED AT TALE OF HARE

Ebbel Club's Guests Fascinated by Narrative Told During Entertainment.

"The Tale of the Hare" interested the boys and girls at the children's day entertainment given by the Ebbel Club yesterday afternoon in their clubhouse on Harrison street. Vividly Stephen Schutze of Pasadena related the story as he modeled a diminutive bunny in clay. The kiddies who filled Ebbel hall, were fascinated by the narrative, which held their attention and they were as quiet as the "bunny" with the story-teller was moulding. They placed their eyes on the "bunny" and intently watched the movements of Schutze, who was dressed in Indian costume. While he was speaking about the tiny hare, the juveniles were learning how to use the clay.

"The Tale of the Hare," an adaptation from mythological legends, was as instructive as well as entertaining. The youngsters were keenly interested in the mighty power of Thor "Why Tony Bear Went to Bed," by A. L. Sykes, who is, in private life, Mrs. Stephen Schutze, was humorous and caused much laughter and excitement. The little folks were charmed by the artistic manner in which Stephen presented the incidents which caused Tony Bear to retire. "Raggybug," an adaptation from Thomson Seton, and "The Coyote and the Locust," were enjoyed by the tots.

Between the children's school band, composed of boys and girls, gave a program which was introduced with the popular number, "I Love You California," which was given under the leadership of Professor Smith, bandmaster of the Oakland schools. Forty-five juveniles appeared on the program, which was praised and the youngsters achieved distinction in the program of popular numbers. Among the selections were "Red Lips Waltz," by L. P. Laurendeau; "Pardoux," by L. P. Laurendeau; and "Star Spangled Banner," Miss Julia E. Colby, principal of the Emerson school, was the founder of the band, which is the only musical organization in this city which includes boys and girls. She was the hostess of the day and was assisted by a company of Ebbel members.

After the entertainment the children were served with refreshments. There were about 300 ladies and ladies in the hall who accepted the hospitality of the Ebbel society.

The children's celebration was one of the most successful affairs of the year and it will live in the memory of the old as well as the young folks who were among the guests.

PLAYS CARDS WHILE FIRE DAMAGES HOME

Fire occurred last night in the home of David H. Fry, 135 Fifth street, causing damage amounting to \$600. The fire was caused by a gas jet which had been left burning in the kitchen, and burned through the ceiling of the kitchen, a bedroom and through the roof of the house. Fry was at the home of friends playing cards and did not learn of the fire until he returned home when the flames had been extinguished. The place was covered by auto insurance.

STOMACH TROUBLES DISAPPEAR
Stomach, liver and kidney troubles, weak nerves, lame back and female ill disappear when Electric Bitters are used. Thousands of women would not be without a bottle in their home. Eliza Pool of Dewey, Okla., writes: "Electric Bitters raised me from a bed of sickness and suffering and has done me a world of good. I wish every suffering woman could use this excellent remedy and find out, as I did, just how good it is." As it has helped thousands of others, it surely will do the same for you. Every bottle guaranteed. Sold everywhere. Write to J. C. Bucken & Co., Philadelphia or St. Louis.

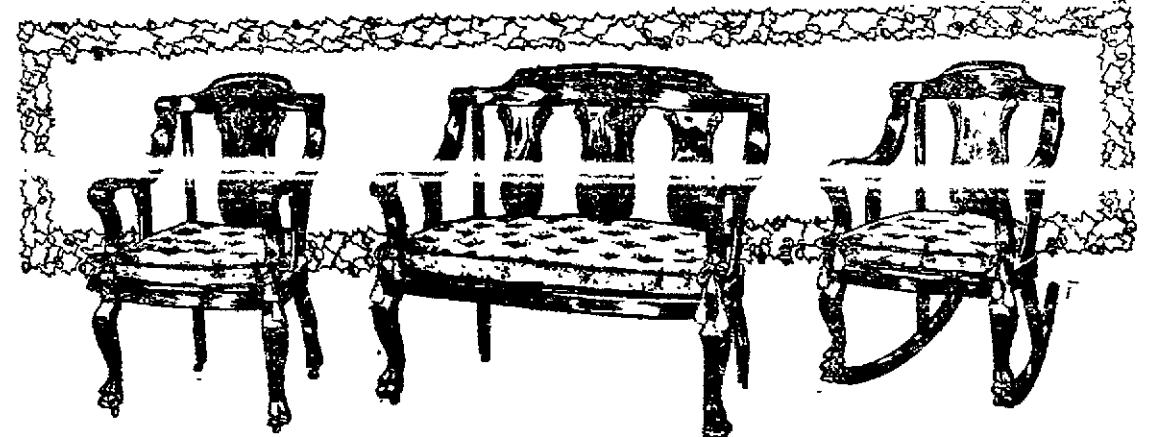
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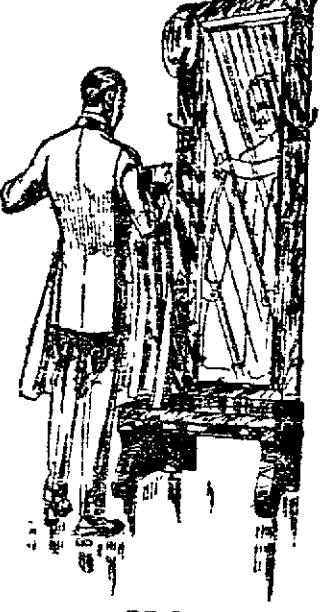
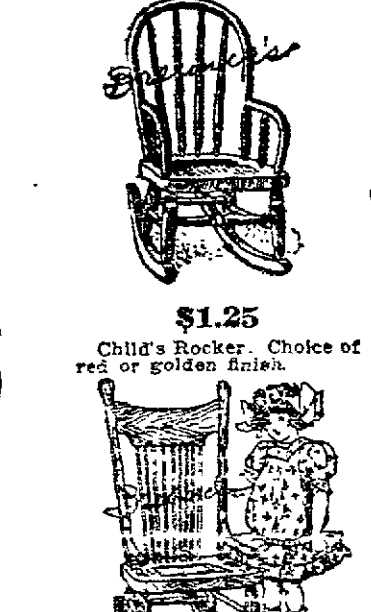


If you're cramped for ready cash this Christmas—Breuner's is the store for you. Eight thousand practical gift suggestions are here for you to choose from—gifts of the kind that will live, not for a day, but for a life's full span. A trifling deposit down is all you need—the balance can be divided into small weekly payments spreading through 1914.



Give Mother This Exquisite Parlor Set

Mahogany finished Parlor Set of three pieces, including Divan, Rocker and Chair, with beautiful Velour Cushions, \$50. Complete set delivered for only \$5—balance \$1 a week.



Fireside Comfort Chair
A gift that Father or Big Brother will truly appreciate. Massive real leather chair, with comfort in every inch of its deep cushioned surface. Price \$32.50.
\$3.50 DOWN—\$1 A WEEK

Child's Rocker. Choice of red or golden finish.
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Mahogany
A splendid Hall Piece that will grace the entry way of any home. Dark rich mahogany, with large bevel mirror. Price, \$39.50.
\$4 DOWN—\$1 A WEEK

NEW YEAR'S EVE WE GIVE THE BUNGALOW AWAY.

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N. P. ANNIVERSARY HELD IN TACOMA

Railway Executives Celebrate Jubilee of Road's Entry Into Northwest.

TACOMA, Wash., Dec. 17. — The Northwest's principal railway executives and Governors Lester of Washington and West of Oregon gathered in the rooms of the Commercial Club last night at the 40th anniversary jubilee celebrating the entry of the Northern Pacific Railroad into Tacoma and the Northwest. It was the largest gathering of notables ever held in Tacoma. 314 banqueters being seated at the tables.
"Fair Play for the Railroads" was the theme that predominated. The statement was made that adverse legislation had gone far enough and that the time had come to call a halt.
The speakers were George T. Reid, Tacoma, assistant to the president of the Northern Pacific; W. W. Cotton, Portland, general counsel Oregon-Washington Railroad and Navigation company; F. V. Brown, Seattle, general counsel Great Northern; Eugene R. McKim, Seattle, traffic manager Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad; Jacob Furth, president Puget Sound Traction, Light and Power company, and Governors Lester and West.

Although the celebration was specifically to celebrate the advent of the Northern Pacific to Tacoma, all of the transcontinental lines participated.

MILLS CLUB HOLDS YULETIDE PROGRAM

The members of Mills Club, held an interesting meeting yesterday afternoon. Following routine business, the club listened to a most entertaining program, which culled any previous effort to fittingly observe the Yuletide. Chief among the numbers was a talk by Mrs. Helen Kimball, president of the Mills Club, on the theme being the origin of Christmas. Applying the significance of the Christmas to the present day she pointed out the benefits derived from the spirit of giving and the high ideals made possible by the Christmas festival. Another interesting number was that of the paintings of the great masters being thrown on a screen, appropriate music accompanying the views. Mrs. Malcolm Austin acted as chairman of the reception committee, and was ably assisted by Mrs. Adams and members of the executive board.

DOCTORS NOT TO COMPLY WITH EUGENIC LAWS

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 17. — The Milwaukee Medical Society has decided not to comply with the state eugenic marriage law providing that all candidates for marriage prove their physical fitness by the production of a physician's certificate. The doctors say they cannot afford to give such an examination for \$3, the statutory price. A committee has been named to put the problem before the state board of health.

CHARGE VIOLATION OF MANN WHITE SLAVE ACT

CHICAGO, Dec. 17. — Carl C. Christensen, an assistant quartermaster in the United States navy, was indicted in the United States court here today charged with violating the Mann white slave act. Christensen, who was stationed at the Lake Forest naval training school, was charged with bringing Edith Alm her from Boston under promise of marriage.

SELS STOCK FARM

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 17. — Former Senator Joseph Bailey of Texas sold yesterday the Fairland stock farm where he has raised harness horses for many years. The price paid is said to have been \$90,000. The sale of Fairland farm is believed to mark the retirement of Senator Bailey as a breeder of harness stock.

ESCAPES FROM ASYLUM

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17. — Dr. J. Hall, a patient of the Agnews insane asylum, escaped on December 15, and has not yet been located. He is believed to have come to this city and the authorities are anxious to reach him. A description was furnished to the police today.

HELD ON CHARGE OF SHOOTING DETECTIVE

OPEN, Utah, Dec. 17. — J. H. Martin, directly charged with the shooting of Dave Edwards, a detective, as he was carrying a satchel presumed to contain \$1500 in gold demanded by blackmailers from Leroy Eccles, Ralph E. Bristol and other prominent Ogden men, was held to the special grand jury called for the January term of the district court yesterday after a hearing before Justice Reuben H. Reese of Pleasant View. The justices set \$20,000 as the bonds for his release and this amount was not secured by the defendant. The charge of "attempt to kill" is made in the complaint. Connected with the trial of the case is the investigation of a long series of crimes, including blackmailing of Ogden millionaires, holdup of two trains, murder of a negro porter, burglaries and robberies which blackmailers, in letters sent to Ogden people claim they arranged and carried through.

FLAMES DO BIG DAMAGE

CINCINNATI, Dec. 17. — A fire which threatened the entire town of Independence, Ky., was subdued last night with a loss estimated at \$75,000.

Moneyback means Schilling's Best; and it means the grocer returns a dissatisfied customer's money as quick as he can. What happens then? She isn't dissatisfied; can't be.

Who is? Nobody. The grocer has lost nothing, and she has lost nothing. That's how we look at it.

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LITTLE ONES TO BE THE GUESTS

Big Christmas Tree and Vaudville Entertainment in Hotel Lobby Planned.

Invitations Are Sent to Children to Attend Splendid Show.

Attractions from the different theaters of Oakland, several well known comedians

will appear on the program for the big Christmas tree to be erected in the lobby of the Hotel Oakland on December 24 for the poor children of the city. Following the distribution of gifts the little ones will listen to one of the most elaborate vaudeville entertainments ever produced in the city. The committee in charge, composed of members of the Merchants' Exchange and local society women, having announced that several of the best comedians of the city will appear, will be enlisted. Among the comedians who will participate in the musical gift-giving are: Ross, Newman, Mrs. Marion Holmes, Bowers, Robb, Mills, Emma M. Fitch and Margaret Bradley.

The big affair, under the direction of the Merchants' Exchange, and under the direct supervision of H. C. Williams, will be the largest Christmas benefit ever seen in the city. Invitations have been sent to the children of the West Oakland Home, the Fred Finch Orphanage, and the Ladies' Relief Society. Meetings are being held daily by the committee in charge, and wives of the directors are in constant session arranging final details of the program.

GREAT TEXTBOOK ORDER EXPECTED BY PRINTER

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 17.—That nearly 700,000 textbooks will have to be printed during the next eight months to supply the demands of the school children of the state during 1914 is the estimate given the State Board of Education by State Printer Richardson.

Richardson's report shows that during the first eleven months of the current year 1,272,400 textbooks were distributed to the children of the state by the various schools, while the average sales for the four years previous were about 600,000.

The great demand, which shows a more general use of the state books, was met by the state printing office by cramped quarters with limited equipment and without time to stock up.

FIND DRY MEASURE IN MICHIGAN WAS "SHORT"

LANSING, Mich., Dec. 17.—Consumers of almost everything sold by dry measure in the state of Michigan, for the last half century have been cheated out of millions of dollars because of short measure. This fact has just been discovered through a running of the bureau of standards at Washington.

The standard half bushel, one quart and one pint measures which have been used in Michigan for more than 50 years, recently were sent to Washington for comparison with the standard measures of the bureau of standards.

New standard measures will be prepared at once and it is estimated the change will cost the merchants of the state more than \$100,000.

Royalty Will Wed Tonight Carnival Queen Bride-Elect

Courtier to Marry Fair Ruler

FRUITVALE, Dec. 17.—The romance of a charming carnival queen and one of her admiring courtiers will culminate in wedding bells for the queen, Miss Ada Elizabeth Barry, and the courtier, Irwin L. Grader, this evening.

Barry ruled over the "Eagles" carnival in 1910 and her beauty and grace won the hearts of her subjects, including the

The romantic wedding will take place this evening in the Congregational church, Rev. Edville E. Roys officiating. A reception will afterward be held at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. J. Barry, on Third-third avenue, to which thirty guests have been invited. The honeymoon destination has been kept a secret.

The young couple will reside in Fruitvale on their return.

NURSES WILL GRADUATE

Nineteen girls will receive their diplomas at the commencement exercises of the Samuel Merritt hospital, next Tuesday evening. When the Home for Nurses will be formally dedicated. Several months ago the home, which was the gift of Mrs. Robert S. Farrelly of San Leandro, was completed.

The building is one of the most attractive structures of its kind in California. It is equipped with all the modern furnishings. It contains immense sleeping porches, which overlook the Golden Gate. The rooms are large and contain all the conveniences of home.

The board of trustees of the Merritt hospital have issued diplomas for the dedication ceremonies, which will be interesting. Upon the occasion the members of the first graduating class of Merritt hospital will receive their sheepskins. Those who have successfully completed their four-year course are Miss Helen Burroughs, Miss Myrtle Hayward, Miss Frances Edwards, Miss Loraine Barnett, Miss Rae Dale, Miss Florence Jones, Miss Katherine Christensen, Miss Gertrude Koford, Miss Hope Beach, Miss Vena Carruthers, Miss Ruth Davis, Miss Ida Moran, Miss Charlotte Frost, Miss Marie Christiansen, Miss Grace Rogers, Miss Ethel Rogers, Miss Hazel Tatum, Miss Hazel Honor and Miss Frances Sussman.

MISS LETHA PAYNE WED TO CAPT. F. VOORHEES

ALAMEDA, Dec. 17.—Miss Letha Payne was today became the bride of Captain F. Voorhees of Company I, Seventh Infantry.

The ceremony took place at the First Congregational church and was performed by Rev. T. A. Marks. The attendants were Miss Daisy, sister of the bride, and George E. Van Buren. All the witnesses to the ceremony were Mrs. A. F. Payne, mother of the bride. The couple will reside in San Francisco. The bride's home is attached to the residence.



MISS ADA E. BARRY.

ITINERANT STORE IS MOTOR TRUCK

A Clever Scheme Carried Out in Ohio by Clothing Dealer.

(By EDMUND CRINNION.)

Something distinctly new in retail merchandising has been undertaken by the Richmond Brothers Company, clothing manufacturers of Cleveland who have been using for some time a Peerless six-cylinder car to carry their own full line of their product through the various small towns of Ohio for the inspection of distant customers.

The company sells its product direct to the consumer without the assistance of middlemen, and its distribution problem is therefore considerably different from that of most manufacturers. It is difficult to get people to buy clothing by mail because they can get so little idea from a catalogue of how a suit is going to look.

So Richmond brothers hit upon the idea of carrying a show case full of its goods right to the consumer. It purchased a Peerless chassis and had a body built along the lines of a show case. Clothing dummies were set up in this and the car driven pretty much all over northern Ohio.

The vehicle was kept on display in conspicuous corners of each town and is accompanied by a salesman to take up the proposition to those who show interest in the offerings displayed. The scheme has the advantage of carrying to the inhabitants of the small towns a section of the display window of the firm's big store in Cleveland.

In fact, the unusual use of a motor car in his connection gives the display even greater effectiveness than an ordinary show window. The volume of sales made by the car has been large and the purchase of another vehicle for the purpose is contemplated.

FRANKLIN COMPLETES POLICY DEAL With the purchase of the Chicago branch of the Franklin Automobile Company by Frank H. Sanders and the Cincinnati branch by Newman Samuel during the past week the closing out of the branches of the Franklin Automobile Company has been completed, says J. E. McLain of the J. E. McLain Company, agents for the Franklin car.

"The history of the Franklin branches began in the fall of 1906 when branch offices were opened up in Boston and Chicago. The Chicago branch was opened at 1218 Michigan avenue, and in the following year removed to 1459 Michigan avenue, which since then has been the permanent quarters. In 1907 the New York branch was opened, and in the next two years branches were placed in the following cities: Pittsburgh, Baltimore, San Francisco, Cincinnati, Albany, Rochester, Buffalo, Cleveland, Syracuse and St. Louis.

A feature of the selling out of these branches has been that in almost every case the branches have been bought outright by men prominent in the Franklin organization.

JEFFERY EXTENDING. The extension of the foreign business of The Thomas B. Jeffery Company, Kenosha, Wisconsin, to South Africa has just been brought about by the conclusion of arrangements for representation in that part of the world by A. E. Flavell, one of the best established motor car dealers in Cape Town.

Applications for territory from all sections of the world have been received by the Jeffery Company since the announcement of the new Jeffery Four.

HENDERSON JOINS REGAL COMPANY The announcement of the election of Charles P. Henderson to the vice-presidency of the Regal Company is made on December first. Mr. Henderson took charge in an executive way of the sales and advertising of the Regal Motor Car Company.

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Beginning Next Saturday This Store Will Remain Open Evenings Till Xmas

For the Further Convenience of Our Customers

An extra Wrapping Station for Packages has been established on the Mezzanine Floor—an extra Handkerchief Booth on the Second Floor—an extra Leather Goods on the Second Floor and other sections of strictly holiday merchandise have overflowed into other parts of the store.

Some Gift Jewelry That Should Be On Your Christmas List

Because these dainty Trinkets that women love are gifts of permanency and exclusiveness when bought here, and because our prices on these articles of sterling worth will afford you great savings.

COIN HOLDERS—Very pretty and useful affairs of German silver. Prices—65c to \$1.25.
MESH BAGS—German silver bags and finger purses. Fine ring mesh and handsome narrow frames in all sizes—\$1.50 to \$12.50.
GOLD MESH BAGS—With finger rings. Fine or plain mounting. Very handsome—\$5.50 to \$40.00.
GOLD VANITY CASES—Filled with coin holders, card cases and small vanity—\$5.50 to \$16.50.
BOUQUET PINS—A dainty gift for a woman. Of sterling silver, rhinestone or enamel—\$1.50 to \$4.75.
CHILDREN'S BRACELETS—Plain or chased silver or gold—\$1.00 to \$3.50.
PEARL BEADS—All sizes of pretty pearl beads, granated or plain. Pink, white or cream—50c to \$22.50.
ORIENTAL LAVA LAILIES—Beautiful designs in amber, jade or lapis lazuli. Distinctive and exclusive—\$3.50 to \$7.50.
NECKLACES—Extremely novel in jade, cherry red and amber—\$1 and \$1.25.
JET BEAD NECKLACES—Very fashionable—50c to \$10.00.
OPERA CHAINS—Jet or long pearl chains. Various sizes of beads—\$1.50 to \$8.00.
WATCH BRACELETS—Enamel or gold filled. A pretty and useful gift—\$5.00 to \$25.00.



FURS FOR GIFTS

Important to Teachers

We are told that teachers may not get their warrants before Christmas. If this should be an inconvenience to any in their Christmas shopping

Our Credit Bureau gladly offers the large facilities of Capwell's stocks, where the wanted gifts may be purchased and paid for later.

Teachers desiring to avail themselves of this invitation may do so by calling at the floor and giving name and address.

Silk Petticoats

Where's the woman or miss that a new Silk Petticoat would not please?

Dozens of styles and more dozens of colors to choose from in our Silk Petticoat Section. Silk Petticoats at small prices for common wear, at moderate prices for "best" wear and at a little higher price for the beautiful Crepe de Chine Petticoats for evening wear.

Price range—\$1.95 to \$15.00.

Madeira Linens Make a Pleasing Gift

There are Doilies and Centerpieces and Scarfs and all the little pieces that housekeepers love for the further adornment of their tables, for no people do finer embroidery work than the Madeirans for selling at moderate prices.

The pieces now shown in our Linen Shop seem as if just made to be given as gifts by people who give none but things that are fine and worth while.

6-inch Doilies—25c; 8-inch Doilies—35c; 10-inch Doilies—40c; 24-inch Luncheon Cloths—\$1.50 to \$5.00.
MADERIA LUNCH SETS—Of thirteen pieces lunch cloth and two sizes doilies—\$6.00 to \$17.50.
MADERIA LUNCH NAPKINS—\$6.50 to \$12.50 dozen.

We show real Cluny Doilies, Centerpieces and Scarfs at prices ranging from 20c for a single 6-inch Doilie to \$45 for a set.

Please Her With the Beauty of a Pair of McCallum Silk Hose

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Undoubtedly the finest, handsomest and best wearing silk hose to be found on two continents for this low price. A Christmas gift ideal, combining all the good qualities you like your gift to possess with a low price.

Of high-grade silk beautifully fashioned, some all silk, some with lisle sole. If Silk Stockings are on your list ask for McCallum \$1.00 hose at Capwell's.

Perfumery, Toilet Waters —FOR GIFTS

The hillside and the woods, the field and the garden are here in essences and extracts—liquid flowers in bottled harmony for gifts.

Fine imported kinds, "true to the flower" or some idealized combination odor.

Our collection comprises such makes as Houbigant's, Piver, Roger and Gallet, Coty, Rigoud Kerkoff of France and here in America, Hudson, Colgate, Palmer, Jergens and others.

Some one of these will be found at the price you want to pay. Truly a gift of charm.

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CUT GLASS What better gift than an addition to a cut glass collection? Choose from our collection of brilliant, sparkling glass that is deeply and most artistically cut.
Unhanded Candy Dishes—95c and up.
Handled Candy Dishes—\$1.25 and up.
Small Vases—50c and up.
Cologne Bottles—75c and up.
Celery Trays—\$2.50 and up.
Water Bottles—\$2.75 and up.

TOYS H.C. Capwell Co. THE LACE HOUSE

SAYS BUSINESS MUST HELP REGULATE ITSELF

BOSTON, Dec. 17.—The business interests of the country should co-operate with the government in regulatory legislation rather than oppose it, said Harry A. Wheeler of Chicago, president of the American Chamber of Commerce of the United States, at the annual banquet of the Boston Chamber of Commerce last night.

This statement from the head of an organization composed of 485 commercial bodies representing all but one of the States and a membership of 250,000 business men, was greeted with enthusiasm.

"Shall we always," said he, "trail legislation, or shall we look into the future and see the things that are bound to come and then meet them half way instead of waiting until after they are forced upon us? These regulatory measures are not altogether bad and they are necessary."

CURED OF LIVER COMPLAINT. "I was suffering with liver complaint," says J. A. Smith of Point Blank, Texas, "and decided to try a 25c box of Chamberlain's Tablets, and am happy to say that I am completely cured and can recommend them to every one." For sale by Osgood Bros. Drug Stores.

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JOHN MORRISSEY HONORED ON 60TH BIRTHDAY

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—John Morrissey, former manager of the local Orpheum Theater, and the oldest manager of vaudeville show houses in the United States, was 60 years old yesterday.

A dozen friends and fellow Elks commemorated the occasion by presenting him with a large basket of red roses and gladioli in the club room of the Hotel St. Francis. Sitting behind these Morrissey was the subject of several addresses during the late afternoon that brought forth the cheers of the crowd that remained to hear.

The "party" was pulled off by Allan T. Baum, president of the Pacific Coast Baseball League; J. Cal Ewing, owner of the local ball team; William Harper, an

Leavitt of Oakland; J. P. Cook of Oakland; John L. Lish and A. B. Williams of San Francisco.

PINDLE IS FAVORED. WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The subcommittee on foreign relations, which has been considering the nomination of Henry M. Pindell of Peoria, Ill., for Ambassador to Russia, will report in favor of Pindell's confirmation to the full committee.

"WILSON ELM" ARRIVES.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—"The Wilson elm," which will be planted on the White House lawn Thursday by the President, arrived from the horticultural gardens yesterday afternoon. It will be planted on the site occupied by the famous "Cleveland elm," which was cut down by last summer's storm.

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clean, white ointment made with oil of mustard. It penetrates to the seat of pain and drives it away, but does not blister the tenderest skin.

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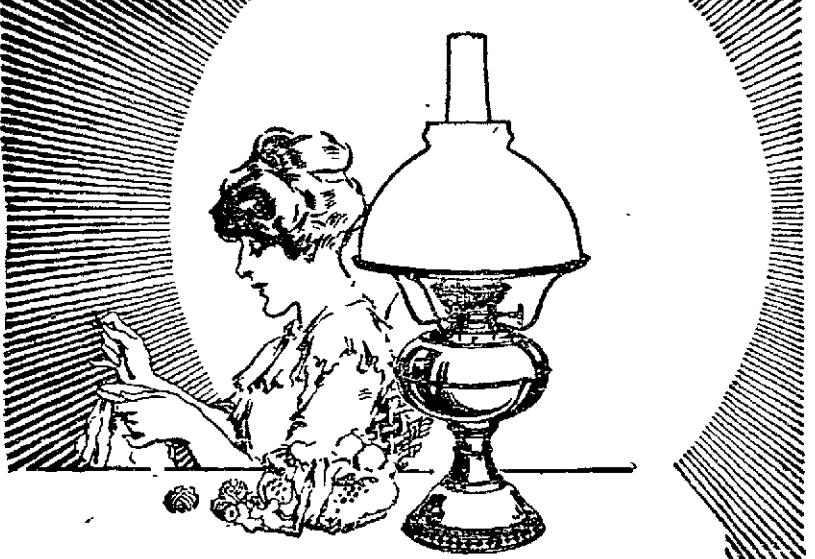
LONDON, Dec. 17.—Following is perhaps the briefest dramatic criticism on record. It appears in the London Daily Express:

"Jerome K. Jerome's new piece, 'Hobina in Search of a Husband,' was produced last night. It is described on the program as an absurd play. It is."

Bronchitis, Croup, Asthma, Pleurisy, Lumbago, Neuralgia, Sprains, Bruises, Sore Neck, Headache and Colds of the Chest (It prevents Pneumonia).

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Wife and Child Claimants May Spoil Nuptial Plan



Mrs. May Le
Fehr,
Who would
Give her
Husband
to Another,
But wants
a fortune
for Child

BEILIS GETS PASSPORT TO GET OUT OF RUSSIA

KIEV, Dec. 17.—A telegram was received here yesterday from the Governor General at St. Petersburg stating that a passport had been issued permitting Mendel Beilis and his family to leave Russia immediately.

Beilis has been asked to testify at the trial of Schugine, editor of the "Kiev-Lantern," who is shortly to be tried for articles vigorously condemning the Government for its action in the Beilis trial.

FREE LUNCH TO BE SERVED WITH SERMON

AURORA, Ill., Dec. 17.—Free lunch will be served in the First Methodist Church of Aurora next Sunday to encourage attendance at religious services of people living at distances. The day has been set apart as "go to church Sunday" in Aurora. Every church and Sunday-school member has been instructed to ask ten persons to attend some church, and each of these ten is to invite ten others, and so on.

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For Infants and Children.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the
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BLAMES HOUSEWIFE FOR HIGH COST OF LIVING

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—Housewives are partially responsible for the present high cost of living, according to Dr. Caroline Cook Coffin, president of the Housewives' League, speaking last night at a meeting of the Consumers' League, and offering a potential, if partial remedy.

Mrs. Coffin deplored the insouciance with which young housewives take the telephoned words of their caterers as to the prices and condition of edibles. She said:

"What we want is a class of young housewives who are educated to know what is what. Vegetables are plucked on Monday, they pass through ill-washed hands until about Friday, when the retailer gives prices over the telephone. The prices are high and so are the vegetables."

"And so it is with other household necessities. If the young housewife were trained to understand purchasing and economy there would be less cry against the high cost of living. Eliminate carelessness and introduce method and half of the problem is solved."

CHINESE PARLIAMENT NOT TO BE ABOLISHED

PEKING, Dec. 17.—President Yuan Shi Kai today issued a denial of the rumors in circulation that he desired to abolish the Chinese parliament. At the same time he emphasized his intention of maintaining a constitutional regime.

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 17.—Between Frank Le Fehr, Los Angeles automobile dealer, and his rich estate, title of baron and the girl that he intends to make a baroness there came today a wife and four-year-old child.

Le Fehr, who recently inherited a million dollar legacy and a baronetcy and announced that Miss Irene Park Campbell is to share the title, has not yet obtained a divorce from his first wife.

Today, Mrs. May Le Fehr, with self-renunciation, but with mother love that will not renounce, declared she would not oppose a suit for divorce, but announced that she would battle over the rich estate in behalf of her child.

Two divorce suits may result—one by Le Fehr, the other by his wife. "Because I still love my husband, but realize the uselessness of striving to win

him back because of his love for another woman, will sacrifice the fortune, the title of baroness, the life of luxury for that of hardship and only for my child," said Mrs. Le Fehr today.

With suppressed tears trembling in her velvety brown eyes and with her small white hands clenched, Mrs. Le Fehr declared that she would fight, not for herself, but for her four-year-old son.

"When love is gone, what do vast estates, a coat of arms and a trailing gown of silk mean? Nothing. I only ask that little Louis, his boy and mine, be given a square deal."

"I first learned eight months ago that I had lost my husband's love. Then he left home."

"I will begin supporting myself since living on \$10 a day, and I will continue to do so. I would rather give up Frank entirely than have the realization that he did not love me. All I ask is my boy. I will try and forget Frank and hope only that he is happy."

"I will begin suit for divorce immediately on the grounds of desertion. Wishing to protect from publicity the girl whom he hopes to make his wife on the granting of his divorce from Mrs. Le Fehr and at the same time not wishing to annoy the woman he had once loved and cherished, Le Fehr said yesterday he would not mention desertion."

"I will sue for a divorce on the grounds of desertion. I made my first complete on another charge, but I wish to settle the matter quietly."

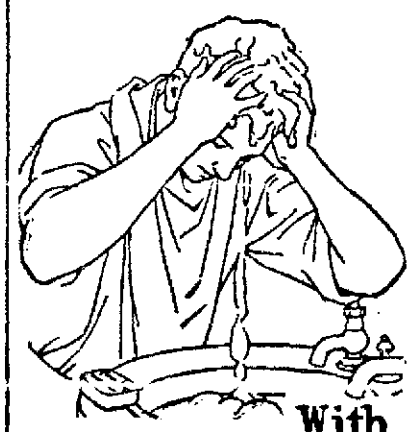
"If she begins a suit for divorce I will contest it. I can produce compromising letters she has written, begging my forgiveness and asking me to come back."

"I will play fair with the boy—he is as much my child as hers—and I love the little fellow. When I came into my estates I even thought of giving Mrs. Le Fehr a share."

TWELVE HOURS MAY BE HORSES' WORK DAY

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 17.—A maximum working day of twelve hours for the horse is the object of a campaign waged by the Kansas City Humane Society with the assistance of several aldermen. "Some team owners have been working two shifts of drivers with the same horses," said E. R. Weeks, president of the Humane Society. "Working hours for men and women are regulated by law. Now it is the horse's turn."

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HARD TIMES FOR COUNTERFEITERS

Secret Service Report Shows
356 Arrests During Past
Fiscal Year.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—There were 356 persons arrested for counterfeiting in the United States during the fiscal year ended June 30 last, according to the annual report of W. J. Flynn, chief of the secret service division of the treasury department. The amount of counterfeit and altered notes confiscated aggregated \$22,137; and the amount of counterfeit coins totalled \$19,884.

In the number of counterfeiters arrested, New York leads all other states with forty-four; Pennsylvania came second with forty-two and California thirty-six. Of the total number of persons arrested 175 were convicted; 135 are awaiting action by the courts; twenty-six were acquitted; twenty-one were ignored by the grand jury; three were not prosecuted; four were dismissed and one is a fugitive.

"While coin counterfeiters represented more than 80 per cent of the total arrests and there was an increase in the amount of counterfeit coins captured during the year," says Chief Flynn, "the coiner is apparently abandoning the more difficult and expensive method of striking his coins from dies in favor of the easier and cheaper molding process."

According to the report, there were sixteen dies captured during the year, as against twenty-five in 1912; while 198 molds were seized compared with 119 the previous year.

PLAN EXAMINATIONS FOR FEDERAL OFFICES

The United States Civil Service Commission announces that the examinations listed below will be held in San Francisco at an early date:

Assistant map printer, Geological Survey, Washington, D. C., salary 75 cents per diem.
Inspector of mechanical and electrical engineering, office of supervising architect, salary \$2000 per annum.
Junior lock fitter, mail lock repair shop, Washington, D. C., salary \$12.25 per diem.
Translator, office of naval intelligence, Navy Department, Washington, D. C., salary \$1400 per annum.
Laboratory assistant, Bureau of Standards, Washington, D. C., salary \$800 to \$1200 per annum.

Application plans and further information relative to these examinations may be obtained from the secretary, Twelfth Civil Service District, room 241, Postoffice building, San Francisco, Cal.

REFUGEES TELL OF MURDER OF RANCHER

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 17.—Further stories of violence and demoralization were related by passengers who arrived here yesterday from Mexican ports by the Pacific Mail steamer San Jose. The list included several mining men from various parts of the republic, who were compelled to leave on account of the tumultuous conditions and the element of danger that they say, has now entered into the situation on far as for some time.

James B. Sexton, a mining man, whose home is in Minneapolis and who has been operating at Tepic for the past year, told of the atrocious murder of Juan Edson, a young Californian, whose father was an American. Edson, according to the mining man, was slain on his ranch near Tepic by a band of Corra Indians, who tortured him cruelly before the eyes of his wife and children. They afterward looted the hacienda.

DAVIS PLEADS GUILTY.

INDIANAPOLIS, Dec. 17.—George

New York a few months ago, pleaded guilty yesterday when arraigned in the Federal court to a charge of having conspired to transport explosives illegally.

Harry Jones, secretary-treasurer of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, implicated by Davis, pleaded not guilty, but his attorney asked permission to withdraw the plea if occasion arose later. The date of Jones' trial was not set and the sentencing of Davis was deferred.

WOOD ALCOHOL IN BAY RUM CAUSING BLINDNESS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—One of the serious limitations of the food and drug act is that it allows the use of wood alcohol in remedies for external applications, department of agriculture officials declare. Their attention has been called to a report by the New York committee on the prevention of blindness, which alleges that half the cases of eye weakness may be traced to the use by barbers of wood alcohol in bay rum or other face lotions.

Under the definition of "drug" in the federal food and drug act, it is not possible for the authorities to control cosmetics containing injurious drugs and remedies for obesity and leanness or to keep manufacturers from putting wood alcohol into external applications. Authority should be given, Secretary Houston declares, to require statements of other drugs than those which must now be declared on the label.

PHONE APPRAISAL NOT FEARED BY T. N. VAIL

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Theodore N. Vail, president of the American Telephone and Telegraph Company, said today that he did not consider any appraisal made of the properties by the government would be large enough to insure stockholders receiving a substantial premium. He said:

"Earnings for the Bell system for the two months show an increase of \$14,000,000 in gross and in surplus of some \$10,000,000 after dividends."

MANY SEEKING STATE POSITIONS

Educators Would Superintend
Schools; Numerous Names
Presented.

SACRAMENTO, Dec. 17.—Educators seeking the three \$900 jobs as assistant superintendent of instruction appeared before the State Board of Education this afternoon and urged their candidacy. There are 35 applicants for the three jobs. Those who appeared yesterday afternoon were:

Will S. Wood, city superintendent, Alameda schools; L. B. Avery, assistant superintendent of Oakland schools; J. C. Temple, city superintendent of Palo Alto schools; Holmes Beckwith of Berkeley; and W. T. Randall of Brawley, Imperial county.

It is rumored that the two women members of the board, Mrs. O. S. Barnum and Mrs. Ames Ray, favor Miss Margaret Cunningham of San Jose, normal school as elementary superintendent.

President Langdon is said to favor Miss Alice Rezan of San Francisco.

For vocational assistant superintendent the leading ones under consideration are Edwin E. Snyder of Santa Barbara and Robert J. Leonard of Berkeley. L. W. Avery of Oakland is said to have the support for secondary superintendent.

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MAY WITHDRAW FROM UTILITY MOVEMENT

Seating of Union and Socialist Delegates Displeases the Improvement Clubs.

The seating of delegates from every individual labor union and the Socialist party in the public utilities convention planned by the Alameda County Civic Association and temporarily organized last night at the Chamber of Commerce

representatives of different improvement clubs, according to reports heard today, following last night's session. The resolution passed last night at the behest of John Geller, setting every individual labor union local in the convention, gives the labor forces an overwhelming majority over the other forces, and as several improvers said, "We will let them do the work." Geller's resolution went through after some debate, following the report seating the Socialists, and Harold Everhart, former city councilman, was named chairman. W. A. Spooner, secretary of the Central Labor Council, was named temporary secretary, thus giving the Socialists and union labor organizations full control of the first offices.

The session was called to order by Dr. G. B. N. Clow, secretary of the Civic Association, who announced that it was a body composed of Oakland civic organizations, called to frame a desirable state public utilities act, under which a proper water district for the east bay cities might be formed. Anson Hiltz acted as secretary.

MUST FIRST ORGANIZE. "We must first organize," declared Dr. Clow, "and then we can take up the many phases of the problem. With a proper state law we could secure water protection for the bay cities, but present laws, so it seems, have been open to criticism."

A report was then read from the credentials committee and it was found that 45 improvement clubs and other organizations were represented at the gathering.

The committee then recommended the seating of delegates from the Socialist party. E. Vander Naillen, assistant of political parties, was to be elected in the morning before the session.

"They claim to be organizations devoted to the study of economic and social problems," said Geller, "and the reply, Geller urged that the committee's recommendation be accepted. It was passed over a small opposition."

The union labor question then arose, when it was declared by the credentials committee that representatives of the Central Labor Council and the Building Trades Council, and other labor organizations, should be seated.

"Many unions are not affiliated with central councils," said Geller, "and have the labor unions all represented by allowing all unions membership according to their membership lists. Put them in a par with other organizations."

GREAT UNION MAJORITY. The union men present supported this motion and the recommendation was carried. "I believe that this gives the unions a great majority," said E. Vander Naillen, "for there are about 150 unions in Oakland. However, if the unions can frame a proper law let them work this matter out."

The first meeting for actual business will take place on January 5 when permanent officers will be elected, delegates permanently seated and the problem of officially taken up. Whether the improvement clubs will participate will be decided by the individual organizations in the meantime.

The proposed convention of the improvement clubs with the idea of enlisting the improvement clubs and Geller was placed on the credentials committee of affairs. It is said by members, the association will not further aid the move. President Charles Gorman of the association was not present at last night's session. Vander Naillen, a civic association leader, declared today that the matter would be left practically to the labor men, as their majority far overshadowed the representatives of the other bodies originally represented.

Christmas Greetings

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PARKS AND PLAYGROUNDS PROPOSAL IS EXPLAINED

Mayor Craig and Piedmont Board Does Not Believe Voters Thoroughly Understood Issue at Election

PIEDMONT, Dec. 17.—The following, headed "To the Voters of Piedmont," has been sent out from the office of Mayor Hugh Craig:

Last month the board of trustees caused an election to be held to determine whether or not bonds were to be issued for certain parks and playgrounds. Although but half of the registered vote was cast, a large majority voted in favor of the bonds. Subsequently, the board, in view of the facts the board feels

in favor of the bonds, and believes that the only reason why the necessary two-thirds majority was not secured was because so little was known about the matter that many did not vote at all, and because many of those who voted against the bonds did so either by reason of erroneous and mistaken ideas and rumors as to the true nature of the proposed improvements and as to the actual effect of the proposed bond issue on the city.

Therefore the board, in its conscience that the citizens of Piedmont will, if called upon, vote in favor of the bonds, has called a second election to be held on Friday, December 19, 1913, at which the same proposition will be submitted.

COST OF THE SEVERAL PARKS. The proposed parks can be purchased at the total price of \$110,000, which is divided as follows:

Dracena and Linda Parks are held under a single option at a price of \$20,000, and comprise approximately 10 acres. The 10 1/2-acre portion of Piedmont Park, which it is proposed to purchase is offered for \$50,000.

The Blair Park property together with Blackberry Brae is held at \$10,000, and comprises \$2,200 acres.

The city holds options on each of these properties and they all expire in January, 1914.

COST OF IMPROVEMENTS. It is proposed to expend \$25,000 in the improvement of these properties for purposes of playgrounds.

EFFECT ON THE TAX RATE. The issue of the proposed bonds will require \$8,100.00 for interest the first year, which will increase by 1/8th of a cent per annum of principal. In addition to interest \$200 will be paid off each year on account of the principal.

The tax rate will therefore be increased the first year by 20 cents on \$100 of assessed valuation. This rate will decrease each year in proportion as the principal is paid.

The bond issue in Piedmont is assessed at about \$300. On such an assessment the average taxpayer will pay \$1.00, or \$2.00 on each \$100.00, the first year on account of the bond issue, and this sum will be reduced each year for 20 years by the payment of the annual installment of principal.

COVERS THE UP-KEEP. The sum of \$25,000, provided for improvements, will cover as well all costs of up-keep until the year 1915. The year on which it will be necessary to expend in that and subsequent years for the maintenance of these parks and playgrounds.

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rounds will be relatively small, and will in the opinion of the board make slight, if any, addition to your taxes. This conclusion is drawn from the board's knowledge of large developments of unimproved property already in process and its confidence that other developments will be stimulated by the acquisition of the proposed parks and playgrounds, all of which will greatly increase the assessment roll of the city.

INVITES SETTELMENTS. These developments by which large areas of acreage property will be converted into high class subdivisions to be assessed by the front foot, and which will add many large and expensive buildings to the city, will greatly increase the total of taxable property due to the fact that the properties which it is proposed

to acquire are situated in the most desirable sections of the city, and will be used exclusively for park and playground purposes alone.

The proposed corporation yard will be placed in a section above the bridge, among the trees, to the south of Moraga road.

REASONS FOR SUBMITTING BUT ONE PROPOSITION. The matter of the acquisition of parks has now become a subject of so much interest to the city that it is entitled to its own particular park. The board has spent much time in the discussion of the matter of submitting two or more propositions to the voters and has entertained suggestions involving every possible combination of the proposed parks, but the conclusion has been reached that the best interests of the city as a whole will be served by the acquisition of all of the proposed parks.

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Senator Root on Currency Reform

Senator Root's speech on the currency bill reflects the attitude of the great banks which dominate the New York Clearing House toward currency legislation in general. What the big New York banks want is precisely what the country at large does not want. The great banking houses of New York desire to perpetuate a system which makes the whole country financially dependant on New York. They are anxious for Congress to provide additional sinews of war, but they desire to be left in control of the situation. Hence the New York bankers are opposed to creating new reserve centers. They do not want to put an end to financial congestion, but want more operating capital, a system of credit currency that will enable them to do a larger business and give them a stronger hold on the purse strings of the country.

Senator Root is in entire sympathy with them. Hence he argued in the Senate like an attorney for the New York Clearing House. It was quite natural, therefore, that he should confine himself to picking flaws, real or imaginary, in the Glass-Owen bill instead of setting forth the aims of the big bankers of New York City. His remarks had the ring of special pleading, of advocating a counter currency plan, not by explaining it and showing that it is better than the one under discussion, but by attacking the pending bill very much like an attorney who attempts to hide the weakness of his own case by assailing the weak points in the case of his adversary.

Senator Root is a wonderfully clever man. He has the statesman's grasp of public affairs, but his usefulness is marred by the mental habit of appearing as an attorney for special interests. He would be a very great man if he would devote the vast powers of his mind wholly to the service of the people instead of serving his clients first and the people afterward. When the special interests which he has so often defended with such signal power and success in the courts are not involved, Mr. Root rises to the commanding heights of statesmanship. His attitude toward currency legislation goes far to explain popular distrust of him and his lack of power to influence the public mind. Nobody questions his ability or his knowledge; he is conceded to be at the head of the American bar, singularly clear and forceful as a debater, and intellectually as keen as a Damascus blade. But his air of being an attorney when he discusses such questions as the currency bill gives his arguments an unconvincing quality. Therefore he is often worsted in the popular forum by men who are inferior in ability and less skilled in the use of words because they speak with candor and sincerity, while his adroitness is taken for concealment of purpose. Men who cannot analyze the false quantities in his casuistry instinctively detect the spurious metal in the coin he utters. His skill in verbal fence is acknowledged, but unfortunately is used too often for the same purpose that Sir John Hawkwood employed his sword—in the service of those who pay for it.

Senator Root's speech emphasizes the fact that the great banks of the metropolis are diametrically opposed to the country at large in the matter of currency legislation. What New York wants is precisely what the rest of the country does not want. New York is determined to remain as she has been the clearing house of the nation. She is resolutely bent upon making all local financial centers tributary to her, and is therefore striving to perpetuate financial congestion that the control of financial operations on a large scale shall remain centered in Wall street. Senator Root is the spokesman of that ideal. He does not speak for the country, but for the New York banks. He is opposed to the creation of a number of regional reserve banks for the reason that their creation will break up the system which allows New York to hold the key to every money vault in the United States and enables the financiers of Wall street to dictate the terms of financial accommodation in every State of the Union.

The object of the pending bill is to break up this system and deprive an association of bankers in New York of the money monopoly they now enjoy, hence Mr. Root's criticisms are taken—and rightly, too—as the objections of an interested party—the very party, by the way, that has made reform of our currency system a necessity. The New York banks have abused their power. In 1907, after inflating speculative values to the point of extreme peril, they closed their doors and compelled the banks throughout the country to do likewise. As the cash reserves of all the banks were reservoid in New York, the banks in every State were compelled to close their doors when their reserve agents in New York suspended payment. One of the aims of the Glass-Owen bill is to take from New York the power to compel all the banks of the country to suspend payment. Senator Root argues for a retention of that power.

The commercial organizations of Nashville, Tenn., of which there are some half dozen, have decided to consolidate and form one large, effective body. The reasons given for the consolidation are that it will decrease the expense of conducting the activities in which the several organizations are engaged and make the work of civic and commercial promotion more comprehensive. Does not this apply to Oakland?

Ex-President Taft has reduced his weight seventy pounds, but the smile that never wears off is as broad and cheery as ever. Some of these days the people will realize that the best loser American politics has ever known does not stand near the foot of the class when merit is rightly rated.

Art Experts and Art Values.

Art connoisseurs were unable to decide whether the painting of the Louvre two years ago till it was discovered that the finger prints on it corresponded with the finger prints on the wall where it was taken. This does not speak well for the reliability of professional judgment on works of art. The "Mona Lisa" is considered Leonardo's masterpiece. Its value depends upon its authenticity. If the original of the masterpiece of the greatest Italian painters cannot be distinguished from a copy without independent proof of its identity, does professional judgment count for anything? Art experts are unable to tell the copy from the original, why should the copy have only a nominal value and the original esteemed almost priceless? Not because the artistic skill displayed surely? The works of great painters are valuable because the supply is limited and cannot be duplicated. But what becomes of this artificial and sentimental valuation when the originals of famous paintings are perfectly imitated that even experts cannot distinguish?

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GREATEST MOMENTS IN HISTORY



Spugging and the Christmas Impulse

The "spugs" seem to have forgotten that passage in the Bible which says it is more blessed to give than receive. Organized to discourage useless giving, they are furnishing themselves with an excuse for not giving at all. When a man stops to argue with himself as to whether the gift he proposes to make will be really useful to the recipient or is actually needed by the person to whom it is to be sent, he is in a fair way to button up his Christmas resolutions in his pockets with his cash and let the hungry and naked look elsewhere for comfort and cheer. "Prudence is a lascally virtue in battle," said a great soldier. Charity and friendship take on a sordid complexion when the need and use of gifts put one in a quandary. The Lord loves a cheerful giver, and a giver is never cheerful when he stops to ask the questions which the spugs demand every man shall ask and answer for himself. Some of the Christmas presents most useless from a utilitarian standpoint are most highly appreciated. It is not the use or the need of the gift that touches the heart, but the sentiment that prompted the giving. Spugging closes the heart to its warmest and most generous impulses. It partakes of the cold, calculating quality of prudence in battle. In times of stress and peril cowardice can well cloak itself in the mantle of prudence, likewise meanness and selfishness can easily justify themselves with the cold philosophy of spugger. A society composed wholly of spugs would be as inviting as an ice-house in December. Spugging chills the heart instead of warming it, refrigerates generous impulses and all spontaneity in the interchange of Christmas tokens. One of Dickens' most delightful Christmas stories tells of the reform of a spug. Old Scrooge never knew what happiness was till he ceased being a spug and became a human being.

Rice is now among the staple crops of California. The rice industry is now fairly established; rice growing has been proved to be feasible and profitable, and promises to become extensive. This year's rice crop in the Sacramento Valley is estimated at 175,000 sacks, averaging 110 pounds to the sack—a total of 19,250,000 pounds, approximately 10,000 tons. Cotton growing has become a leading and lucrative industry in the Imperial Valley, and the peanut crop has assumed large proportions. So California has become a producer of three crops heretofore regarded as peculiar to the South Atlantic States. A vast area in this State is ideally adapted to rice culture, and the production may be expected to assume enormous proportions in the next few years, as the yield per acre is very large and the quality of the grain unexcelled. A rice mill has been erected at Biggs, Butte County, and rice growers now have the facilities for cleaning their product and preparing it for market.

If they desire to court defeat, the Progressives will take up Henry for Governor or Senator.

A Progressive ticket without Hiram Johnson at its head would be like the play of Hamlet with Hamlet left out.

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Twenty Years Ago Today

Although the county and State election is nearly a year distant the candidates are commencing to put in an appearance on the political field.

Judge Henshaw will make a try for the nomination of Justice of the Supreme Court.

Secretary of State E. G. Waite of Alameda will be a candidate for renomination.

Robert Gardiner may be a candidate for County Assessor. Robert Leckle will be a candidate to succeed himself.

Alexander Laidlow, ex-Police Judge of Oakland, is a candidate for Superior Judge.

John A. McFarland, a James Stanley would like to be a member of the State Board of Equalization.

There will be a number of candidates for the office of County Clerk. Among those who want the office are James E. Crane, incumbent.

The candidates for the office of Sheriff will be many. Among those mentioned are ex-Sheriff Hussey and Chief of Police Schaffer.

Jefferson street will be opened to the water front, and at once. The announcement is now made that the Oakland Water Front company will give the city a deed to the forty-foot strip, and this clears up the whole matter.

In regard to the opening of Castro street, the attempts for the city, Messrs. Powell, Pringle, Hill and City Attorney Johnson are unanimously of opinion that it would be unwise for the council to proceed in this matter at present.

Professor Pasmore and Madame Blankart gave a vocal and instrumental concert at California college last evening.

Ward W. Pierce of East Oakland was married on Wednesday last to Miss Lillie D. Hatch of this city, youngest daughter of Rev. Dr. Hatch.

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EDITORIAL PARAGRAPHS

Any man a man is sold without getting his price.

Some self-made men evidently did the job in the dark.

It's easier to talk than it is to acquire the wood sawing habit.

Don't do any worrying today that you can put off tomorrow.

Most of your friends will stand by you as long as you have a dollar.

If a man and his wife are one, how many was Solomon and his outfit?

A fool's idea of a good joke is one he is able to put over on the other fellow.

When the warship hits a rack the naval appropriation goes into the sinking fund.

Every mother thinks she has the dearest baby in the world. So does the father when the bills come in.

Instead of what they really need and they'll go on their way rejoicing.

There should be no more tariff squabbles if it were possible to tax every man

in this country according to his own personal valuation.

Everybody is admiring the nutritive value of beans—and busting eggs.

Any miscreant who would steal a lot of jewelry ought to be condemned to wear it all.

If this were the season of the bumble bee he could easily qualify as the original "needle fiend."

It is astonishing what a lot of eager depravity seeks to find its opportunity in the un-called tanko.

In other words, Gen. Carranza believes in tempering mercy with a few well chosen summary executions.

Elihu Root has lived so quietly of late that one would scarcely suspect him of meriting a peace prize.

With enough poor food to increase his cheap food and make it easy to take.

Don't take advice that you wouldn't give yourself.

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JACK LONDON'S FAMOUS STORY
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SCHOOL BONDS MAY AWAIT FEBRUARY

Plans of Disfranchising Voters Not on Old Register May Change Plans.

BIRMINGHAM, Dec. 12.—Plans of the local board to call the bond election for next date in next month seems impossible of fulfillment, according to the board's view that this would disfranchise numerous voters. Attention of the board

communication received at last even-
meeting from Ira D. Vayhinger of

The board's plan for offering prizes to men for the best answers was played up in the head. The board read a letter from the district attorney.

undulized or law. The district attorney also pointed out that the Supreme Court had held that, in cases where an expenditure was not authorized, it could be made.

The board received a communication from the West Berkeley Improvement Association asking that the bond election be called by the council, so that waterfront bonds might be included. The board already had an answer to the club that it already had decided the school board would call the election for school bonds, leaving upon the complain of parents of

Professor J. J. Rivers
Dead at Santa Monica

HOUSEWIVES TO MEET.
BERKELEY, Dec. 17.—The Housewives' league of Berkeley will meet at the office of Education rooms on Alston way tomorrow afternoon. The meeting will be held at 2 o'clock and a number of interesting matters are to be considered.

MEETING POSTPONED.
SANDEA, Dec. 17.—Owing to the illness of Mrs. Metta Martindale, the Inglewood Frauen Verein will meet Friday

of the organization and her funeral
be held Thursday afternoon.

COULD PROTECT INSURANCE FUNDS

Convention of Commissioners Urges Legislation Guarding Legal Reserve Surplus.

NEW YORK, Dec. 17. — To guard
against the danger of having the surplus
of legal reserve life insurance companies
put out in time of financial disturb-
ance, the national convention of in-
surance commissioners now in session
adopted a resolution yesterday in
which it is made "the manifest duty" of
insurance commissioners to urge
preventative legislation proposed by

The body has introduced a law which provides "that no local reserve life insurance company should issue any policy in which the company did not reserve the right to defer the granting of a policy or of cash surrender value for a period of sixty days."

The resolution deals with two amendments to this law. The first of these removes the exemption of loans made for the purpose of paying a premium. The second provides "that no local reserve life insurance company shall be issued or re-licensed in the state where measured or passed." If it issues any policy not containing the sixty-day deferment clause.

Preserve, insurance commissioner of the State, and states that in the last 25 years the amount of business has increased from 3 to 10 per cent, that outstanding amounts amount to \$150,000,000 and that of 120 companies have only approximately one per cent of cash on hand. The belief is expressed that the companies would not be able to carry out their contracts during the present disturbances without wiping out their surplus by the forced conversion of their investments in a broken market.

LANDLORD CHARGE WAITING.

John Nakaya, who is charged with being stabbed and cut by T. Yamanchi, Eighty-second street, avenue, with a waiting man, last night, February, is in custody in Stockton, having been arrested on a charge of carrying con-

with a deadly weapon has been
ed and Nakaya will be brought
to Oakland.

INJURED ON ROLLER SKATES.

While skating behind a wagon at
ninth and Center streets today,
y Dalto, a schoolboy, living at 542
ninth street, caught his foot on a
track and was thrown to the pave-
ment. He sustained a badly bruised
leg and was taken to his home.

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SPORTS

COAST-LEAGUE GOSSIP GATHERED FROM THE WINTER STOVE

(By BILLY FITZ.)

Lou Nordvke, once a Coast league favorite and later a Northwestern veteran will coach the University of Washington ball club this spring.

him can get hold of a first string catcher he will probably retain Daddy Rohrer and the receiving string will consist of Roberts, Alexander and Rohrer.

stuffed in the outfield than anywhere else when the season opens, for they will have Zachary, Coy Middleton, Kaylor and Quinlan all sapping for the three berths.

Danny Shea not the shortest, but the cut with the Seals, has been sold to Seattle to Spaulding and will help Jesse.

Harry Wolverton doubtless knew what was going when he signed up with Schweitzer, the Memphis outfielder, but the eastern faners do not hear out Wolverton's declaration that the new team is a heavy hitter. Truth to tell, Schweitzer is a heavy hitter, but the manager, Fielder was let go because he could not hit well enough. Still Roy Morin came from the same league and hit .12 point.

The Wolf outfield next year will prob-

ally consistent with the views of Van Buren. "I think you can get the Sacramento fans of the World Home Run Swag."

Ward McDowell, the former Portland leader, was benched by New Orleans to the Mobile club of the Southern association in exchange for Charlie Cavan who will captain the Pelicans. Mac was benched to Cleveland but failed to make good.

Ivan Olsen, insider for the Cleveland Americans and formerly a member of the Portland Coast league club is in Sacramento visiting Harry Wolverton and Charles Graham. He finished the season of 1911 with the Portland team during the 1911 season went to the Nationals where he has been holding a berth ever since.

The recent election of J. Cal Brink-

The report in last Sunday's TRIBUNE that Clyde Wages might come back to the Oaks next season as second baseman has created much interest amongst the fans. Oakland club representatives admit that such a move is under consideration.

Rube Gardner, utility first sacker, will not be with the Oaks next year.

McCredie has signed three big players: Pitchers Peet and Salva and Catcher Lee Haworth. Peet and Haworth come from the Pendleton club of the Western Tri-State

Sox as Berry thinks probable, he will be placed at short and Ernie Johnson switched back to his original position of left base.

Of the present pitching staff, Jack Ross, Bennie Pennington, Tommy Ryan, Roy Crabb are to be retained. To them will be added Frank McKenry, and Fred Harkins, the Fresno wonder.


Barton has already been purchased from the Washington Americans, and indications are that "Long Tom" Hughes will be secured from the same team.

Bill Lindesay's future appears to be definitely settled, says a Seattle scriber. From latest accounts it has been finally arranged that he will play for the Portland, Toledo, Venice, Los Angeles, Portland, Colts, Spokane, Buffalo, Federals.

Portland baseball fans will be glad

If Manager McCredie goes through with his program, and he seems determined, only two of the regular Post and Infield of 1913, Kores and Rodge will hold over for the coming year. McCredie has already secured valvers Bill Lindsay and may ship him to New Orleans. Kores has been moved to Lindsay's third base station. Davis

Millican, of Cedar Rapids a draft player, will also be out fighting for horticultural station, but he likely will be shoved over to Nick Williams' coaching.



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MONEY TO LOAN

3% MONEY

Money loaned on real estate. Interest

on \$1000 for 11 years, \$158.40; 6 months

grace. Repayments, \$8.20 on \$1000 per

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of interest on real estate security; if

you have money to loan see our loan

department; nothing but first mortgage

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beautiful East Oakland bungalow; full

value \$2000. Address Box 234, Tribune.

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Column 17

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ALL sizes second-hand pipe; best quality

standard water pipe; screw casing;

ruar, good as new; prompt shipments.

Weissbach Pipe Wks., 135 11th St., S. F.

All Men's Hats \$1.50

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A FINE \$500 upright piano, \$67, if taken

this week. \$150 Union.

A THOROUGHBRED Irish setter. Ap-

ply 415 Penniman ave., Fruitvale.

BOOKCASE or china closet, suitable for

doctor's or dentist's office, reasonable.

Call at 608 47th St., near Grove.

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fresh, some heavy, bearing; 257 Jer-

seys; also dairy articles. Box 125, Trib.

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FOR SALE—2 horse express wagon and

one saddle. \$18 50th St.

FOR SALE—2 horse express wagon, raised

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FOR TYPEWRITER bargains see Oakland

Tribune, December 17, 1930.

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and robes, new and second-hand. Har-

ness Co., 1935 San Pablo; ph. Oak. 3255.

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fused, birdseye, mahogany, fumed oak

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KAHN SAYS PRESIDENT WAS MERELY PEEVED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The action of a puffed college president, was the way Representative Kahn yesterday ridiculed President Wilson's action in resigning his honorary membership in the military order of the Carabao and ordering an investigation of the burlesque skits at the organization's banquet last Thursday. Kahn, who is a member of the House Military Affairs Committee and was one of the Carabao diners, declared: "Every year in the principal universities the graduating class issues its class book. It is full of little vignettes at the faculty. Then the president of the university calls the editors before him and admonishes them—sometimes they are expelled for taking undue liberties and ruffling the dignity of the faculty."

"Well, this action of President Wilson looks to be a farcical one. He may have taken similar steps with students, but the news never left the campus of Princeton. There was no mance in the fun at the banquet. Now, with all this fuss about it, general attention will be given the 'Dams in dam' song, and it will become national property. I can't see why there should be any bother about the incident. It's too trifling."

WOMAN TO BE HEAD OF SAFETY BOARD

GARY, Ind., Dec. 15.—Mrs. Kate Woods Ray, president of the Civic Club and a suffrage leader here, will be appointed president of the safety board. Mayor Knott announced today. Mrs. Ray will be head of the police and fire departments.

It isn't always love that enables a married couple to get along. Sometimes it is common sense.

Here to Study the Schools

Oakland Portland's Model



F. A. Naramore, architect of Portland School Department, who is studying Oakland buildings.

F. B. Dressler, special agent of the United States Department of Education is one of the many experts who have watched the extensive building of one-story schoolhouses in Oakland. He recommended to F. A. Naramore, architect and superintendent of properties of the Portland Ore. school department, a thorough inspection of such buildings of this type in Oakland, and added: "You will be enthusiastic over them."

Naramore, who has been an Oakland visitor has seen several of these structures—is still studying them—and he is not lacking in enthusiasm. Two similar buildings are to be erected in Portland, despite the difference in weather conditions here and in the Oregon city, and Naramore is gathering ideas to be incorporated in the Portland plans.

"The one-story schools in Oakland are attracting country-wide attention," he said. "The air circulation is good. They can easily be converted into open-air schoolrooms. Oakland is fortunate in being able to locate these low, wide-spreading school buildings with enclosed

courts on large sites which you have been able to obtain at moderate prices. There is ample provision in the school buildings for assembly halls and club-rooms, and splendid provision is made for carrying out community gatherings and recreation activities.

To the Good Fellows of Oakland

Last Christmas and New Year's eve you and I went out for a good time and spent from \$10 to \$200. Last Christmas morning over 3000 children awoke in our city to an empty stocking—the bitter pain or disappointment that Santa Claus had forgotten them. Perhaps it wasn't our fault. We had provided for our own. We had doubtless reflected in a passing way on those less fortunate than our own, but they were far off and we did not know now or where to find them. Perhaps in the numerous things we had to do some of us didn't think of the heart sorrow of the child over the empty stocking.

Now, old man, here's a chance. I have tried it for the past two years and ask you to consider it. Just send your name and address to THE TRIBUNE, stating how many children you are willing to protect against grief and sorrow over that empty stocking, inclose a 2-cent stamp and you will be furnished with the names and addresses, sex and age of that number of children. It is then up to you; you do the rest. Select your own present, spend 10 cents or \$10, and send or take your gifts to those children on Christmas eve. You do not have to pay a cent more than you want to—every cent is expended as you wish to expend it—every present goes just where you want it to go. You gain neither notoriety or advertising; you deal with no organization; no record will be kept; your letter will be returned to you with its answer. The whole plan is just as anonymous as old Santa Claus himself.

The only satisfaction that you or I get out of this is the feeling that we have saved some child from sorrow on Christmas morning. If this is not enough for you, then you have wasted your time in reading this—it is not intended for you, but for the Good Fellows of Oakland.

Perhaps a 25-cent doll or a 10-cent tin whistle wouldn't mean much to the children you know, but the child who would find them in the otherwise empty stocking they mean much—the difference between utter disappointment and the joy that Santa Claus did not forget them.

Here old man, and Good Fellow, is a chance for you and me to get in. The charitable institutions attend to the bread and meat and other necessities, but let's you and the rest of the Good Fellows of Oakland furnish the real Christmas joy.

Address Christmas Editor THE TRIBUNE, stating how many little ones you will be Good Fellow to.

A GOOD FELLOW.

EDITOR TRIBUNE Two years ago I wrote the above letter to the Good Fellows of Oakland and requested THE TRIBUNE to publish it. It was printed in full and made Christmas real to 1,500 children that Santa Claus had never been able to find before.

The purpose of that letter, and the plan it set forth, was not a news-story, but a plan to help the children who were in need of presents. The TRIBUNE accepted the responsibility. The writer thought the responses would not be so many that he could handle the necessary correspondence, but with a good faith. It did. The Good Fellows, both women and men, are several hundred strong and made Christmas real to 1,500 children that Santa Claus had never been able to find before.

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Now, Good Fellow, here's your chance again. We're going to do this Christmas what we did two years ago, but we're going to do it harder and better. We know the fun we got out of it, the joy we brought to those "kids" and we know better how to do it. Read the letter republished above, send in your name, get busy, and we'll make Santa Claus real to every child in Oakland.

Counterfeit \$10 Note Makes Its Appearance

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—A new counterfeit \$10 United States Treasury note has made its appearance, the secret service says in a circular of warning just issued. The note is of very crude workmanship and is printed on ordinary bond paper. The ink colors of the genuine note are imitated with perfect accuracy, but the color of the seal and counter is brick red.

BURGLARY MOVIE HITS INTUITION

Nervous Auditor Returns Home to Find Intruder Ransacking Place.

George E. Madison, 748 Fifth street, went to a motion picture show and saw a film depicting a burglar. It made a nervous audience of his return home. He returned at 10:30 p.m. and found the front door open. He heard the sound of some one moving about inside the house. It was a burglar.

Madison checked the front door and found the burglar had rushed out the door and made a dash for it. The police were notified and the burglar was caught. Madison reported the incident to the police and the burglar was taken to the station.

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"BENHAM" COMPLETES TRIALS. WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—The new destroyer Benham has completed her standard trials at the Naval Academy. Breakwater averaging for five hours runs 29.51 knots an hour. The Benham was built at Philadelphia and her contract speed was 29.50 knots.

BIG EATERS GET KIDNEY TROUBLE

Take a glass of Salts before breakfast if your Back hurts or Bladder bothers you.

The American men and women must guard constantly against kidney trouble, because we eat too much and all our food is rich. Our blood is filled with uric acid which the kidneys strive to filter out. They weaken from overwork, become sluggish, the eliminative tissues clog and the result is kidney trouble, bladder weakness and a general decline in health.

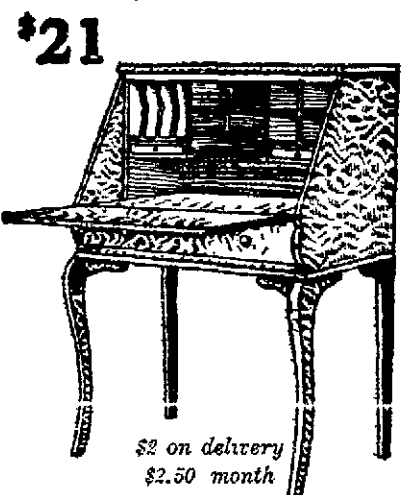
When your kidneys feel like lumps of lead, your back hurts or the urine is cloudy, full of sediment or you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night, if you suffer with sick headache or dizzy, nervous spells, acid stomach or you have rheumatism when the weather is bad, get from your pharmacist about a dozen ounces of Jad Salts, take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush and stimulate clogged kidneys to neutralize the acids in the urine so it no longer is a source of irritation thus ending uric acid attacks.

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We are closing these out; the list price is \$29.00.

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Exactly as illustrated. Made of solid oak frame, very heavy fumed finish; simple back adjustment; press a lever under the arm and the back raises and lowers; removable box seat upholstered in Spanish imperial, a substitute for leather.

Holiday special \$11.75



Tabouret

There are only 14 of these. As long as they last. Thursday morning.

They are exactly as illustrated. Solid oak. 12-inch top, round. Stands 18 inches high. Legs fastened on with screws.

Holiday special

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Dinner sets—Holiday special

Something most any family would appreciate as a Christmas gift. See them in basement.

54-piece Dinner Set English ware. Clear white with gold edge. Medium weight, clear white, with enough for family of six. Has covered dish.

Terms \$2 cash, \$2 50 month.

\$13.00

Another good set in Austrian china. Fifty useful pieces. Medium weight, clear white, with dainty pink and green border, gold edge neat shapes.

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McCall Pledges His Support of Mitchell

NEW YORK, Dec. 17.—Jon Purvis Mitchell, mayor-elect of this city, and Edward E. McCall, the man he defeated in the recent mayoralty campaign, sat side by side last night at a dinner given Mitchell's honor by Corrigan Council Knights of Columbus. It was their first meeting since the election and both of them did their best to show the 900 diners that no hard feelings existed between them.

Mr. McCall, who acted as toastmaster, assured the mayor-elect of his sincere support and predicted that all good citizens would uphold his hands.

John Barrett, director general of the Pan-American Union, was among the speakers.

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